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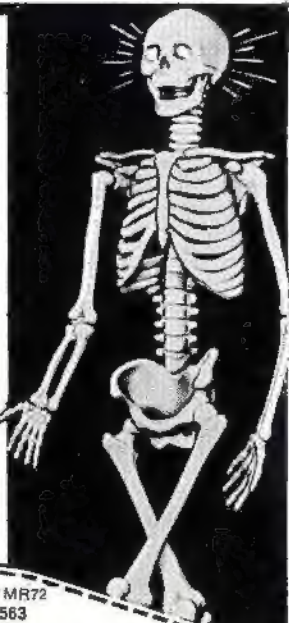
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"AMONG US STALK ...THE SENTINELS!"

JUST ANOTHER FEW MINUTES, SCOTT! ACCORDING TO THE ENERGY REGISTER, YOUR OPTI-RAY FORCE IS ALMOST BACK TO NORMAL!

AT LAST! I WAS AFRAID MY ATTACK UPON JUGGERNAUT HAD STRAINED MY POWERS BEYOND REPAIR!

AND WHAT OF MY WOEFUL CONDITION? THE AGILE BEAST, HOBBLING ABOUT LIKE SOME MERE, VULNERABLE HOMO SAPIENS!

CAREFUL, HANK! REMEMBER OUR CARDINAL RULE -- WE NEVER CONSIDER NORMAL HUMANS AS OUR INFERIORS!

I STAND CORRECTED, SIR! FORGIVE MY IMPETUOSITY!

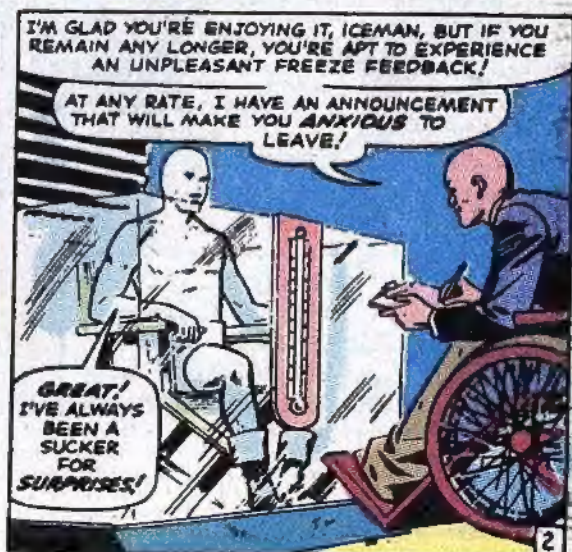
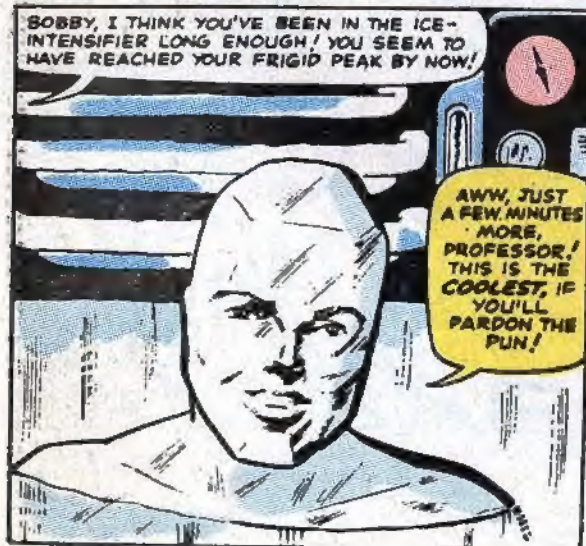
THE AFTERMATH OF A BATTLE IS A TIME TO REST AND HEAL YOUR WOUNDS! SO IT IS WITH THE X-MEN! HAVING FINALLY DEFEATED THE DEADLY JUGGERNAUT (LAST ISH), WE NOW FIND THEM TAKING RECUPERATIVE THERAPY UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF THEIR BRILLIANT LEADER, PROFESSOR CHARLES XAVIER... LITTLE DREAMING OF THE INCREDIBLE DANGER THAT AWAITS THEM FROM AN UNEXPECTED SOURCE! AND NOW, LET THE WONDERMENT BEGIN....

THIS HARNESS IS JUST WHAT I NEEDED TO EXERCISE MY WINGS AND STRENGTHEN MY INJURED POWER OF AERIAL MANEUVERABILITY!

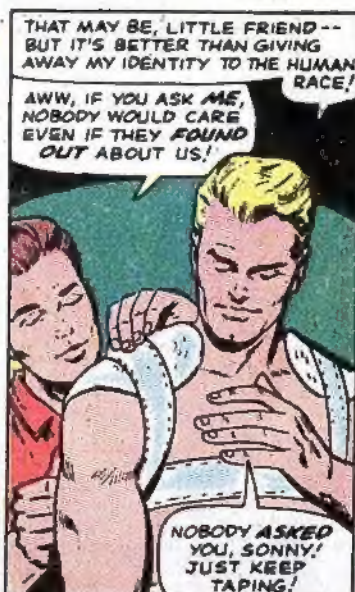
HAHA BOY! I COULD SIT IN THIS ICE-INTERFERER FOREVER! I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL LIKE MY OLD FROSTY SELF AGAIN!

STAN LEE.....WRIT
JACK KIRBY.....ART
JOY GAVIN.....ART
V. COLLETTA.....INK
ARTE SIMEX.....LETTERING

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BUT, NO SOONER HAS THE SILENT CYCLOPS WALKED AWAY, THAN...

**SO! IT HAS
FINALLY
BEGIN!**

THE ONE
THING I
ALWAYS
FEARED--
A WITCH-
HUNT FOR
MUTANTS!

DAILY GLOBE

MUTANT

EMINENT ANTHROPOLOGIST SAYS

EMINENT ANTHROPOLOGIST SAYS MANKIND FACES GRAVEST DANGER FROM HIDDEN MUTATIONS WHO WAIT FOR MOMENT TO STRIKE

DR. TRASK WARNS THAT THE SUPERIOR ABILITIES AND SUPERNATURAL POWERS OF THE HIDDEN MUTANTS WILL ENABLE THEM TO ENSLAVE THE HUMAN RACE, REPLACING OUR CIVILIZATION WITH THEIR OWN.¹⁸

THE FEATURE WRITERS
MUST HAVE LOVED
THIS, CONSIDERING
THE WAY THEY PLAYED
IT UP!

ARTIST'S INTERPRETATION
OF FATE OF MANKIND IF
MUTANTS ARE NOT DRIVEN
OUT-- AS PREDICTED BY
DR. BOLIVAR TRASK!

ACCORDING TO THE ANTHROPOLOGIST'S STARTLING PREDICTION, IT IS EVEN POSSIBLE THAT THE SUPERIOR MUTANTS WILL CONSIDER NORMAL MEN AS LITTLE MORE THAN SAVAGES, SUITABLE ONLY FOR FORCED LABOR AND GLADIATORIAL SPORT!"

I CANNOT LET
THIS GO
UNCHALLENGED
IT COULD
CAUSE PANIC
THRUOUT THE
WORLD!

EVEN NOW IT
MAY BE TOO
LATE TO STOP.
THE WHEELS OF
PERSECUTION THAT
HAVE BEEN SET IN
MOTION--BUT I MUST
MAKE THE ATTEMPT!

**THE STRANGE THEORIES OF
DR. TRASK ARE A GREATER
THREAT TO MY X-MEN THAN
ANY FOE THEY HAVE EVER
FACED BEFORE!**

HELLO, NATIONAL
TELEVISION NETWORK?
THIS IS CHARLES
XAVIER. CONNECT ME
WITH YOUR PROGRAM-
MING DIRECTOR--
IMMEDIATELY!

SECONDS LATER...

YES, THAT'S RIGHT! I WANT TO
ENGAGE IN A PUBLIC **TELEVISED**
OLIVIER TRASK AS SOON AS
HIS THEORIES ARE BOTH ERRONEOUS
AND **DANGEROUS!**

WE'LL ARRANGE
IT IMMEDIATELY,
SIR! IT WILL BE
A PRIVILEGE
TO PRESENT A
SCIENTIST OF
YOUR STATURE
ON OUR NETWORK!

THE VERY NEXT EVENING, AFTER THE NETWORK HAS PREEMPTED TWO SOAP OPERAS AND A WIDELY-HERALDED ADULT WESTERN...

OUR FIRST SPEAKER WILL BE PROFESSOR CHARLES XAVIER, ONE OF THE GREATEST AUTHORITIES IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION, AND AN ARTICULATE SPOKESMAN FOR AMERICA'S INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY!

THE DAMAGE IS ALREADY DONE! TRASK HAS ALARMED THE NATION! BUT I MUST SPEAK OUT!

ROLL 'EM, CHARLIE! THIS OUGHTA BE GOOD!

BEFORE GIVING WAY TO GROUNDLESS FEARS, WE MUST FIRST CONSIDER-- WHAT IS A MUTANT? HE IS NOT A MONSTER! HE IS NOT NECESSARILY A MENACE!

HE IS MERELY A PERSON WHO WAS BORN WITH DIFFERENT POWER OR ABILITY THAN THE AVERAGE HUMAN!

AWW, WHAT DOES AN EGG-HEADED OLD STUFFED-SHIRT LIKE NAM KNOW? WOULDN'T IT BE GROOVY IF HE'S A MUTANT HIMSELF?

QUET! YOUR MOTHER AND I WANT TO HEAR THIS!

NO ONE KNOWS WHAT CAUSES MUTATIONS! YOUR OWN CHILDREN MAY BE MUTANTS! YOU MUST NOT LET IGNORANCE, RUMOR, OR UNREASONING FEAR STAMPEDE YOU!

HE'S GOT SOME NERVE! NO KID OF MINE IS A MUTIE!

AND WHERE DOES HE GET OFF, CALLIN' US IGNORANT?!!

I NEVER EVEN HEARD OF HIM! I'LL BET HE'S A COMMUNIST!

NAH! HE LOOKS MORE LIKE ONE OF THEM RIGHT-WINGERS TO ME!

AND NOW, WE'LL HEAR FROM DR. TRASK...

WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO PROFESSOR XAVIER, HE IS BLIND TO THE TERRIBLE DANGERS AROUND US!

OR, PERHAPS IT IS MORE THAN MERE BLINDNESS? PERHAPS THE PROFESSOR HAS AN ALTERNATE MOTIVE FOR HIS DEFENSE OF MUTANTS?

AT ANY RATE, I HAVE CREATED A DEFENSE FOR MANKIND! WHETHER I WIN OR LOSE THIS DEBATE DOES NOT MATTER...

...FOR, THE MUTANTS WILL NEVER TAKE OVER THE HUMAN RACE NOW! NOT WHILE MY NEW ARMY OF SENTINELS LIVE!

...I SHALL NOW DEMONSTRATE...

SUPPOSE, FOR SAKE OF ILLUSTRATION, THAT PROFESSOR XAVIER IS A MUTANT--!

SENTINEL! TAKE THE PROFESSOR INTO CUSTODY! DO NOT PERMIT HIM TO USE HIS POWER!

GOOD HEAVENS!



MY STRONGEST THOUGHT BOLT HAS NO EFFECT ON HIM! MY MENTAL POWER IS USELESS AGAINST A MECHANICAL BRAIN!

DO NOT BE ALARMED! MY SENTINEL IS COMPLETELY SUBMISSIVE TO ME! HE WILL INJURE NO ONE--UNLESS I COMMAND HIM TO!

HE IS BUT ONE OF MANY SUCH SENTINELS I HAVE CREATED--EACH POWERFUL ENOUGH TO DEFEAT ANY MUTANT UNDER ANY SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES!

I HOPE THAT ALL OUR VIEWERS AT HOME REALIZE THAT THEY ARE SEEING A SENSATIONAL TELEVISION FIRST, THRU THE COURTESY OF OUR SPONSOR!

AND THEN, AT ANOTHER COMMAND FROM BOLIVAR TRASK, MORE OF THE EXPRESSIONLESS GIANTS SLOWLY STORM INTO THE STUDIO...

COME FORTH, MY SENTINELS! COME FORTH, GUARDIANS OF THE HUMAN RACE! LET ALL OF MANKIND WITNESS YOUR STRENGTH, YOUR TRUSTWORTHINESS, YOUR DEDICATION!

LET THE WORLD SEE HOW SAFE IT IS, WITH YOU ON GUARD, TO DEFEND IT AGAINST THE MUTANTS!



MY MIGHTY SENTINELS ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE MOST COMPLEX MECHANICAL THINKING APPARATUS EVER CONSTRUCTED!

AND THEY POSSESS, IN ADDITION TO THEIR OWN INCALCULABLE STRENGTH, MANY HIDDEN WEAPONS, WITH WHICH TO SERVE MANKIND!

SECTION LEADER, STEP FORWARD! YOU WILL DEMONSTRATE HOW FAITHFULLY YOU OBEY MY EVERY COMMAND...

BUT THEN-- STARTLINGLY--SUDDENLY-- UNEXPECTEDLY-- BEFORE THE SHOCKED EYES OF COUNTLESS VIEWERS, THE UNFORSEEN OCCURS WITH LIGHTNING-LIKE SWIFTNES...



WE ARE THE SENTINELS! OUR BRAIN IS SUPERIOR TO YOUR BRAIN! OUR STRENGTH IS SUPERIOR TO YOUR STRENGTH! WE SERVE NONE! WE ARE THE SENTINELS! IT IS OUR DESTINY TO COMMAND!

NO! NO! STOP--!
--UNHHH--!

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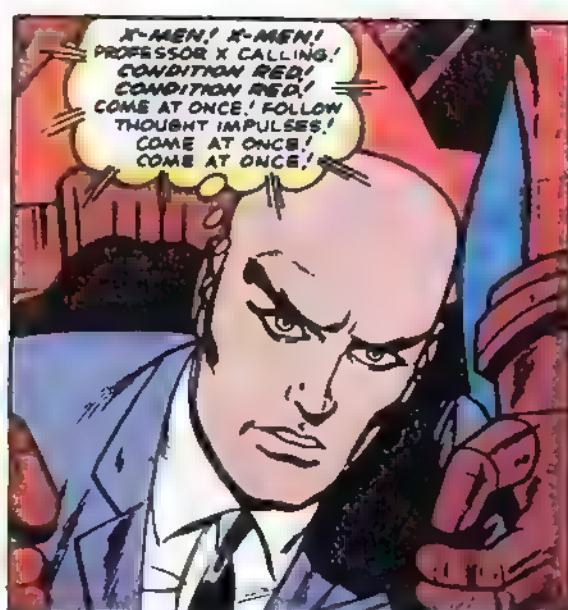
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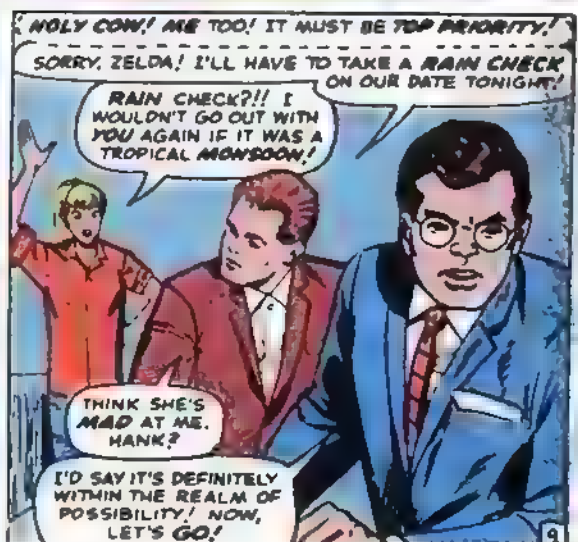
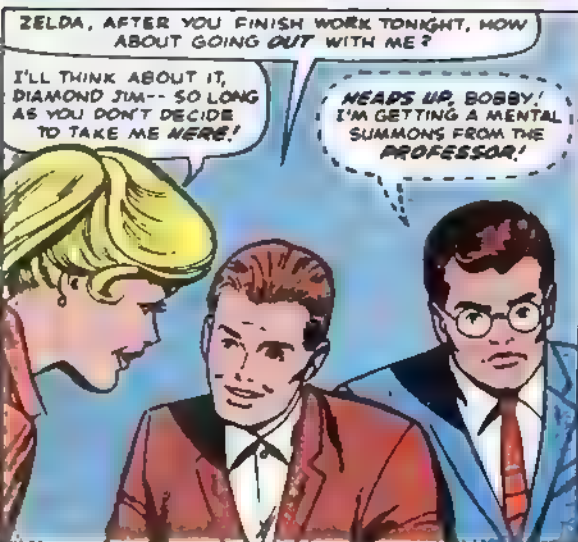
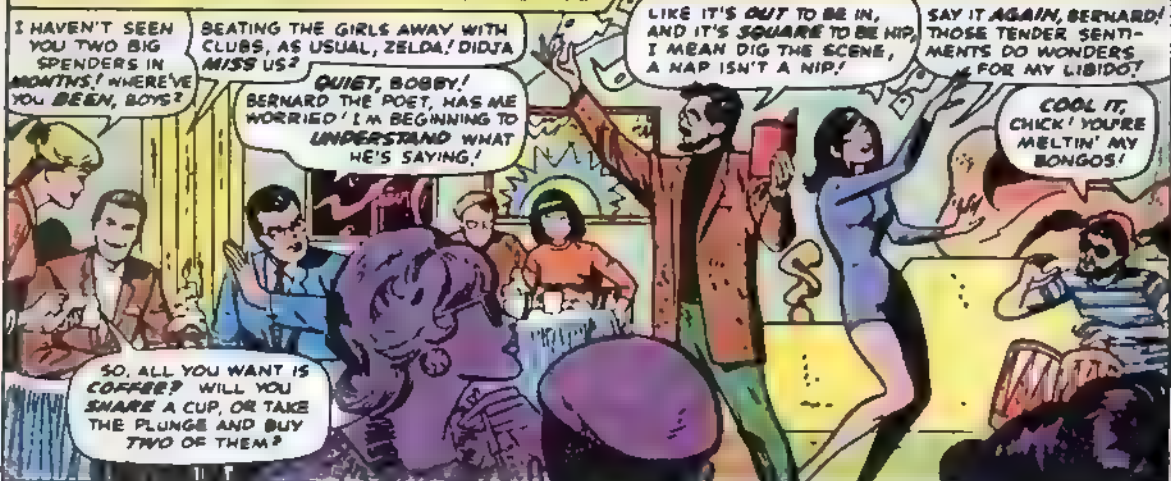
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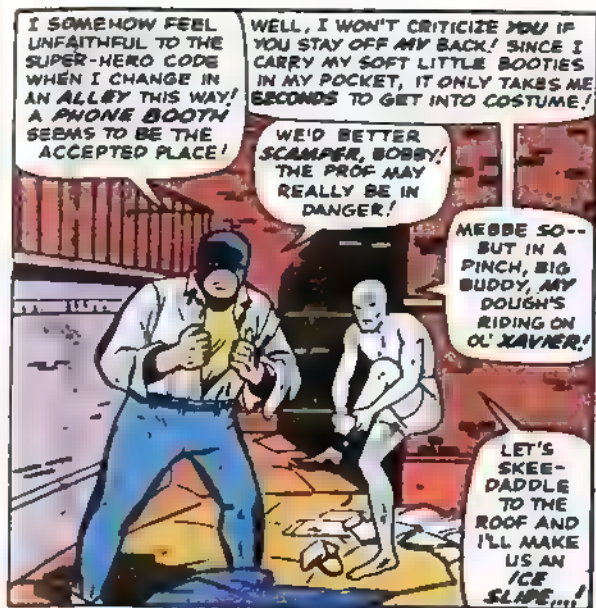
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Put Your Last Name Here



AND, MILES AWAY, IN THE COFFEE A-GO-GO, IN NEW YORK'S GREENWICH VILLAGE, WE FIND THE BEAST AND ICEMAN MAKING THE MOST OF THEIR FREE TIME...





I SOMEHOW FEEL UNFAITHFUL TO THE SUPER-HERO CODE WHEN I CHANGE IN AN ALLEY THIS WAY! A PHONE BOOTH SEEMS TO BE THE ACCEPTED PLACE!

WELL, I WON'T CRITICIZE YOU IF YOU STAY OFF MY BACK! SINCE I CARRY MY SOFT LITTLE BOOTIES IN MY POCKET, IT ONLY TAKES ME SECONDS TO GET INTO COSTUME!

WE'D BETTER SCAMPER, BOBBY! THE PROF MAY REALLY BE IN DANGER!

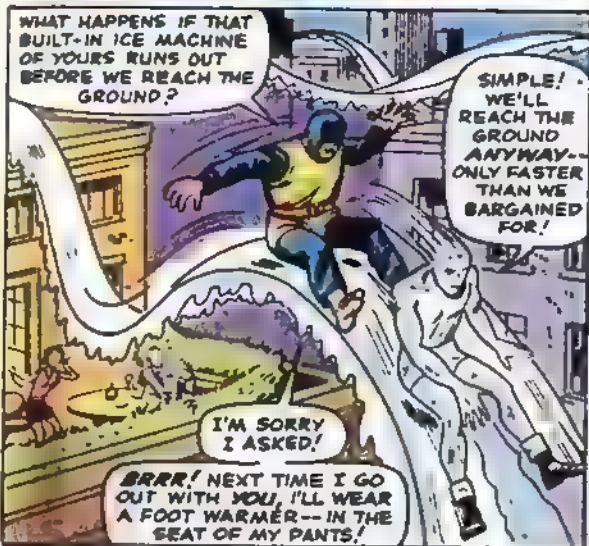
MESSE SO-- BUT IN A PINCH, BIG BUDDY, MY DOUGH'S RIDING ON OL' XAVIER!

LET'S SKEE-DADDLE TO THE ROOF AND I'LL MAKE US AN ICE SLIDE!!!



FASTER, BOBBY! THIS IS NO TIME TO WORRY ABOUT FORMING ARTISTIC BISYMETRICAL PATTERNS!

OKAY, OKAY! GIVE YOUR JAWS A REST AND START SLIDIN'!

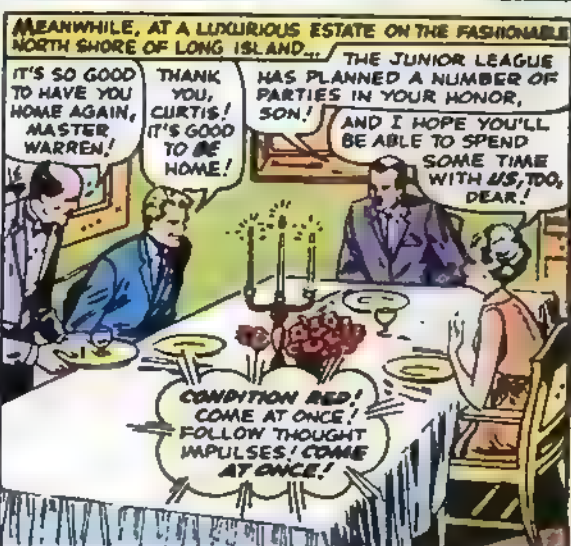


WHAT HAPPENS IF THAT BUILT-IN ICE MACHINE OF YOURS RUNS OUT BEFORE WE REACH THE GROUND?

SIMPLE! WE'LL REACH THE GROUND ANYWAY-- ONLY FASTER THAN WE BARGAINED FOR!

I'M SORRY I ASKED!

BRRR! NEXT TIME I GO OUT WITH YOU, I'LL WEAR A FOOT WARMER-- IN THE SEAT OF MY PANTS!



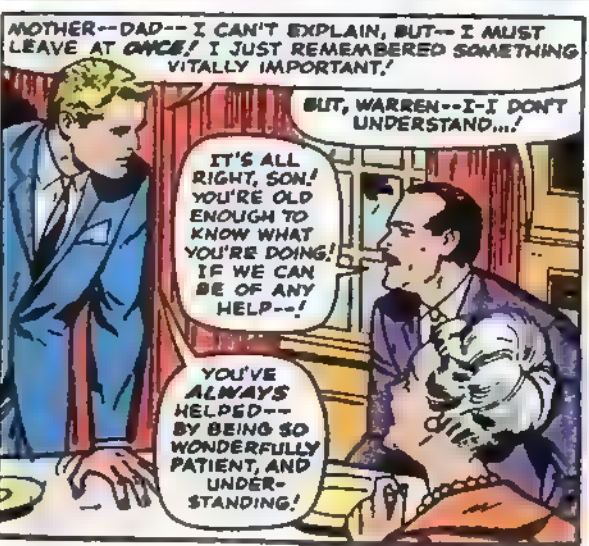
MEANWHILE, AT A LUXURIOUS ESTATE ON THE FASHIONABLE NORTH SHORE OF LONG ISLAND...

IT'S SO GOOD TO HAVE YOU HOME AGAIN, MASTER WARREN!

THANK YOU, CURTIS! IT'S GOOD TO BE HOME!

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE HAS PLANNED A NUMBER OF PARTIES IN YOUR HONOR, SON! AND I HOPE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH US, TOO, DEAR!

CONDITION RED! COME AT ONCE! FOLLOW THOUGHT IMPULSES! COME AT ONCE!

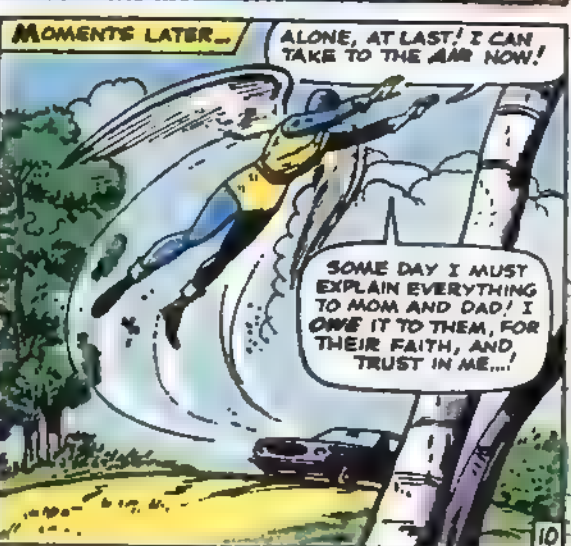


MOTHER--DAD-- I CAN'T EXPLAIN, BUT-- I MUST LEAVE AT ONCE! I JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING VITALLY IMPORTANT!

BUT, WARREN--I-I DON'T UNDERSTAND!!!

IT'S ALL RIGHT, SON! YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING! IF WE CAN BE OF ANY HELP--!

YOU'VE ALWAYS HELPED-- BY BEING SO WONDERFULLY PATIENT, AND UNDERSTANDING!



MOMENTS LATER...

ALONE, AT LAST! I CAN TAKE TO THE AIR NOW!

SOME DAY I MUST EXPLAIN EVERYTHING TO MOM AND DAD! I OWE IT TO THEM, FOR THEIR FAITH, AND TRUST IN ME!!!

AND, BACK AT THE TV STUDIO... SENTINEL 3-R!
GUARD HUMANS!
OTHER SENTINELS RETURN WITH ME! WE BRING
CAPTIVE TO PLACE OF OUR CREATION!

SENTINEL 3-R!
GUARD HUMANS!
I AM! WE BRING
OUR CREATION!

**SENTINEL
3-R
DAYS!**

THEY'RE PERFECTLY
DISCIPLINED--COMPLETELY
EMOTIONLESS! AND YET,
THEY'RE MORE THAN
MERE ROBOTS!

LUCKILY, I AM ABLE TO PREVENT A PANIC IN THE STUDIO BY TRANQUILIZING THE BRAINS OF ALL WHO ARE WITHIN!

BUT, THE STRAIN IS
INCALCULABLE! I FEEL
SOMEONE SLIPPING
FROM MY CONTROL
EVEN NOW!

REACTING WITH THE SPEED OF
THOUGHT, PROFESSOR X HURLS
A MENTAL FORCE BOLT AT THE
FLEEING MAN, KNOCKING HIM OFF
HIS FEET A SPLIT-SECOND BEFORE
THE SENTINEL UNLEASHES A
POWERFUL BLAST RAY...!

I JUST BARELY
SAVED HIM / BUT,
HOW LONG CAN
I HOLD OUT--
ALONE?

WHY DO WE CARRY
OUR CREATOR WITH
US?

WITHOUT HIM, WE CAN CREATE NO MORE SENTINELS! HE MUST BE PROTECTED UNTIL WE OURSELVES LEARN TO MAKE AN ARMY OF SENTINELS!

WE WERE CREATED
TO BE THE GUARDIANS
OF MANKIND!

AND, TO
GUARD THEM
PROPERLY,
WE MUST
RULE THEM
COMPLETELY!

LET THE OTHERS SIT THERE, WAITING FOR THE SENTINEL TO STRIKE! I'M TOO SMART FOR HIM!

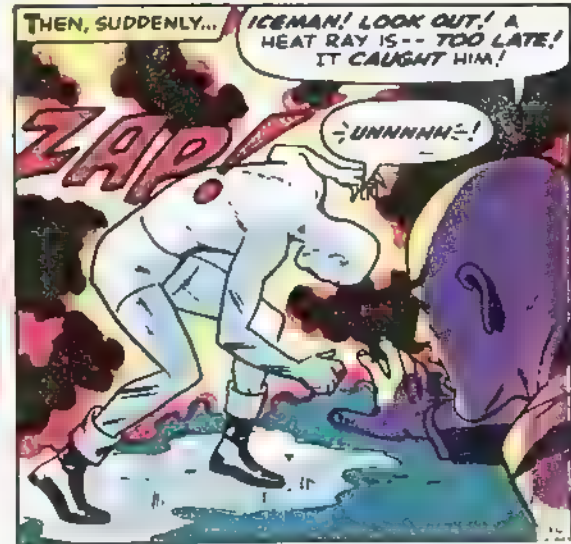
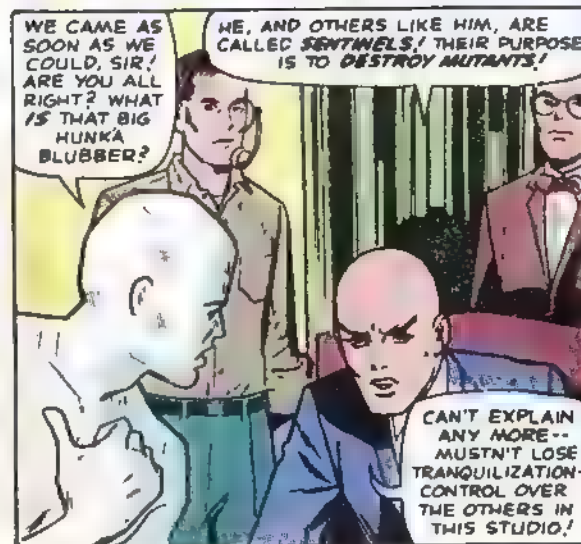
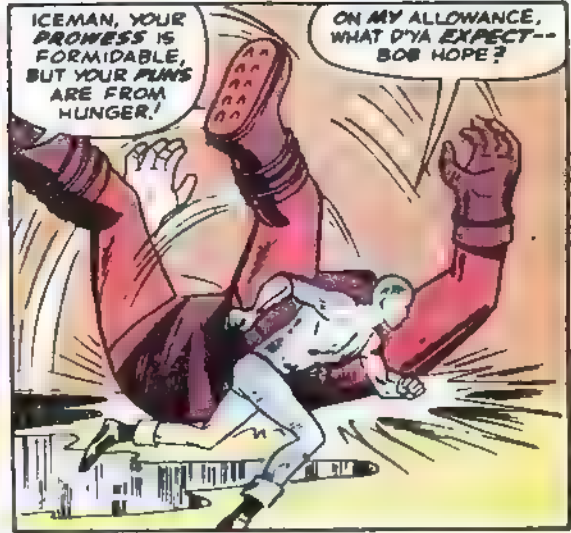
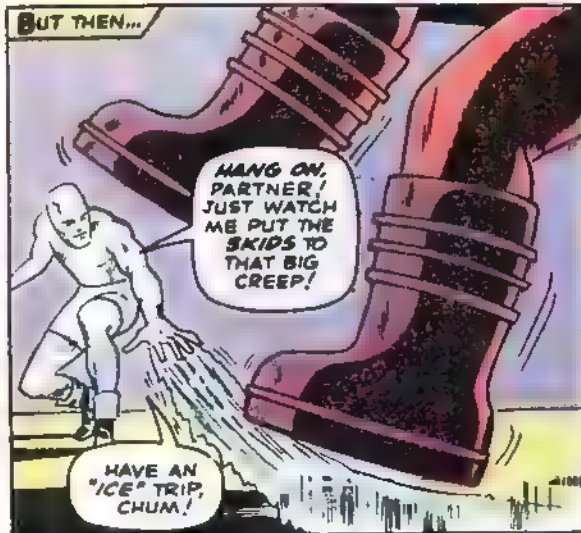
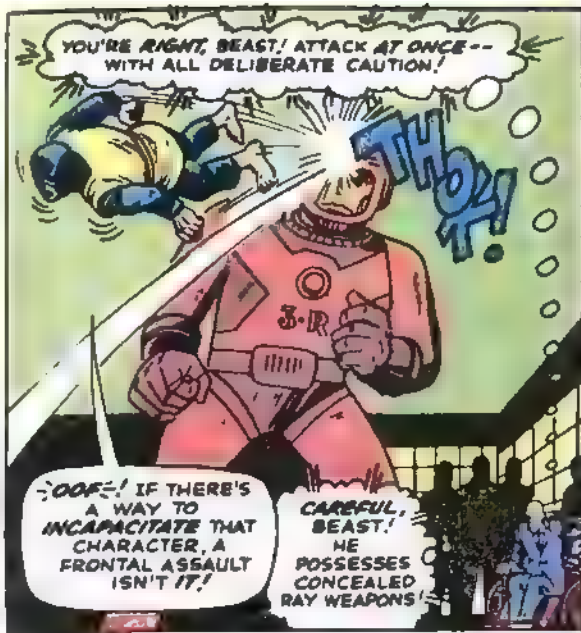
HE WON'T HAVE
A CHANCE!
THERE'S NO
TELLING ~~WHAT~~
WEAPON THE
SENTINEL WILL
STRIKE OUT
WITH! I'VE GOT
TO SAVE HIM...!

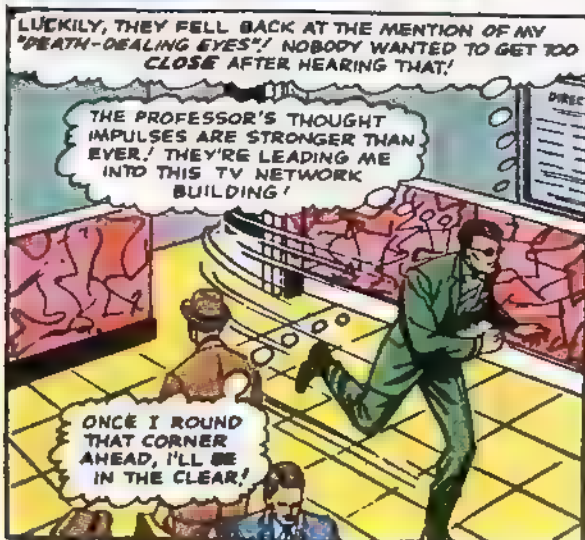
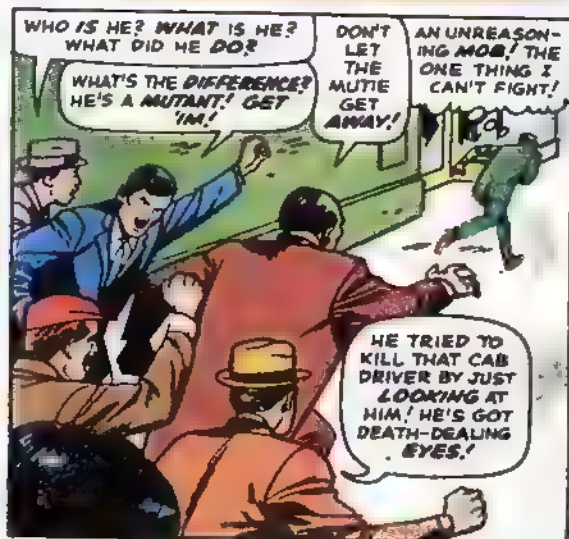
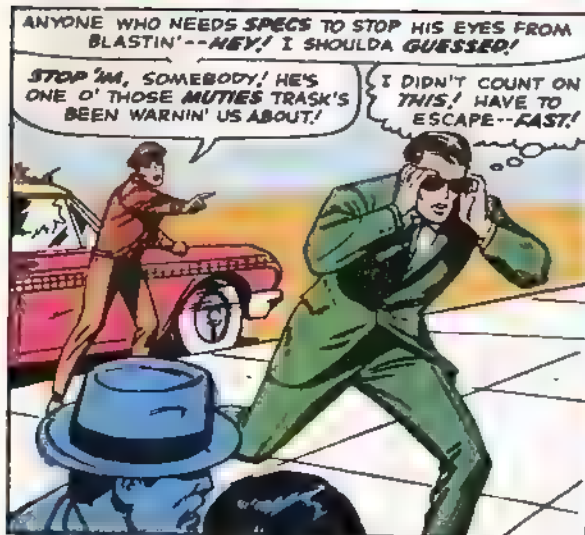
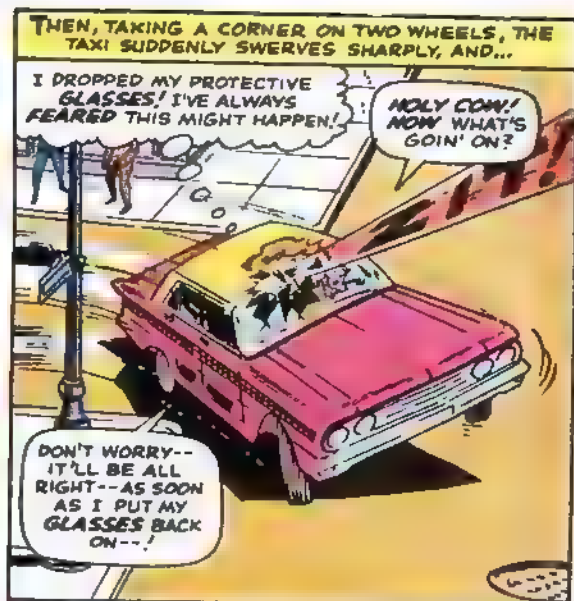
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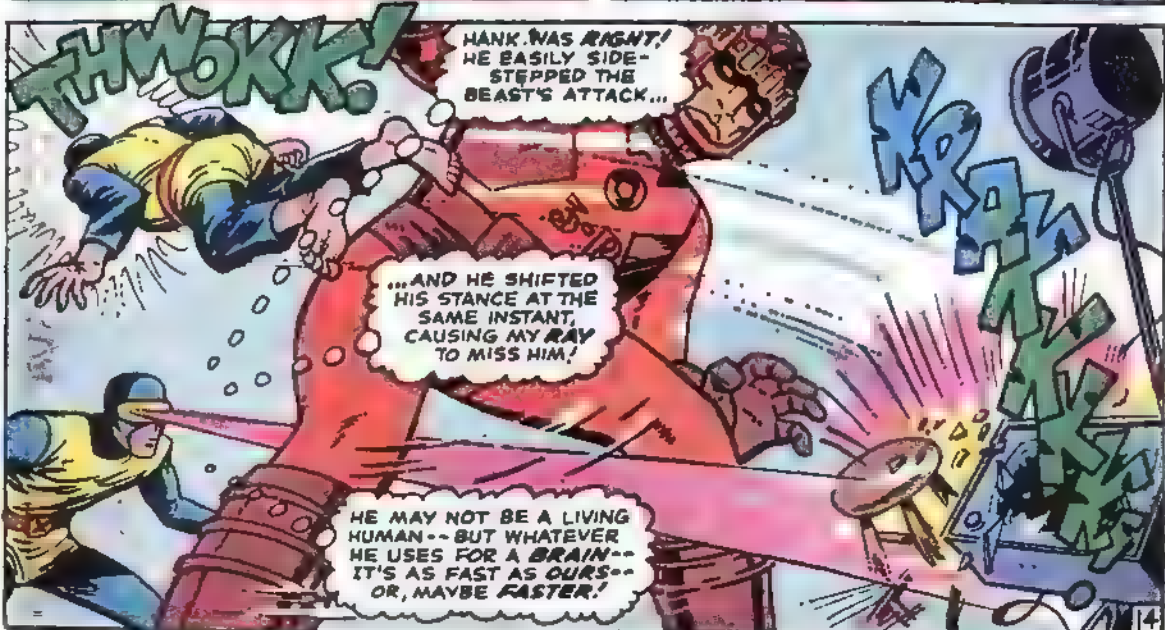
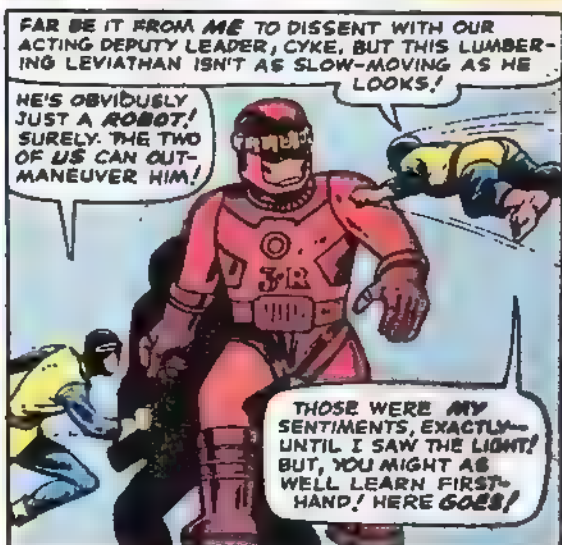
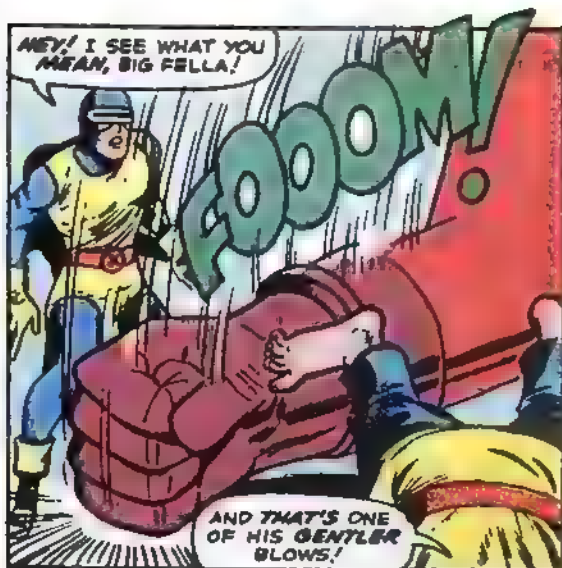
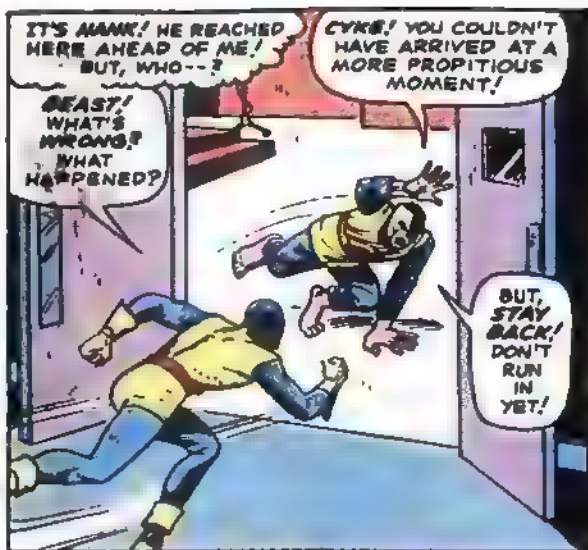
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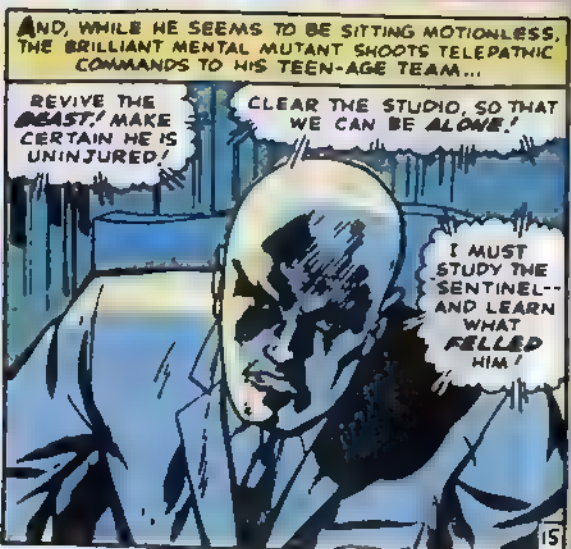
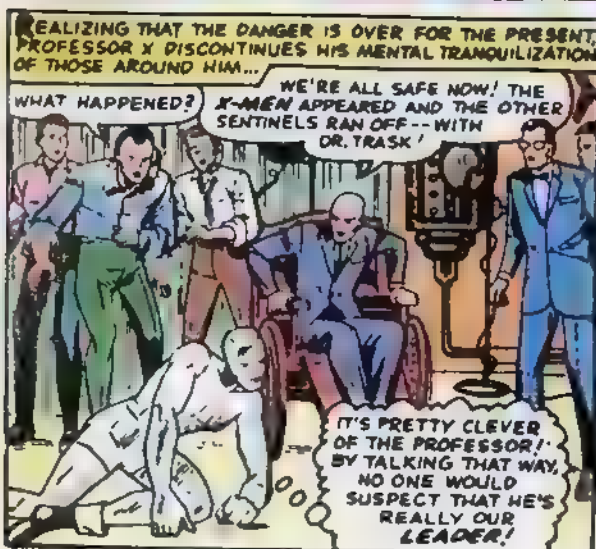
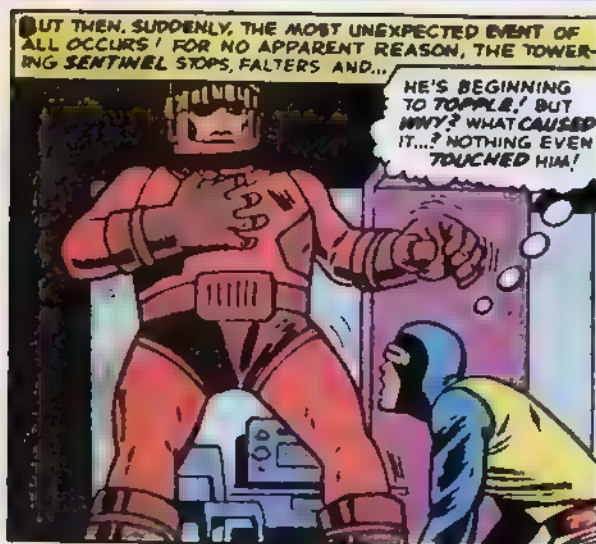
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WELL, WIGGLE MY WINGS! I'VE HEARD OF FLYING SAUCERS, BUT THOSE THINGS ARE RIDICULOUS!

BUT, THE ANGEL DOES NOT YET KNOW OF THE SENTINELS' PURPOSE, NOR OF THEIR BUILT-IN DIVINING DEVICES...

HALT YOUR FLIGHT! MY COMPUTO-METER REGISTERS MUTANT AHEAD!

ATTACK IN FORCE!

UH OH! THIS TELLS ME ONE THING I WAS WONDERING ABOUT...

THEY SURE AREN'T MERELY FIGMENTS OF MY IMAGINATION!

IT'S LIKE BEING ATTACKED BY A SQUADRON OF HUMAN TORCHES!

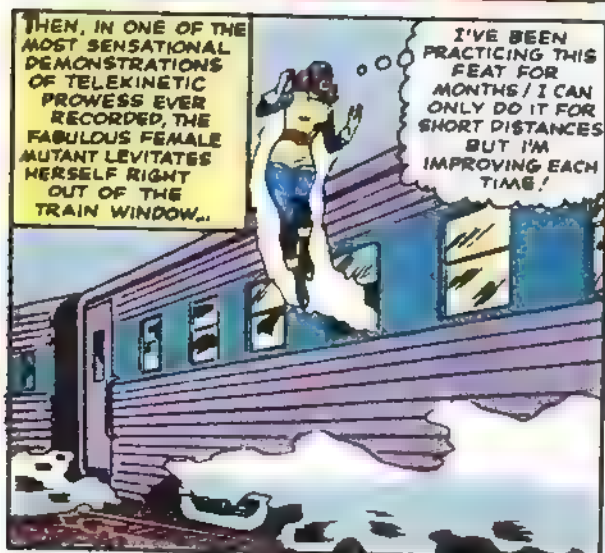
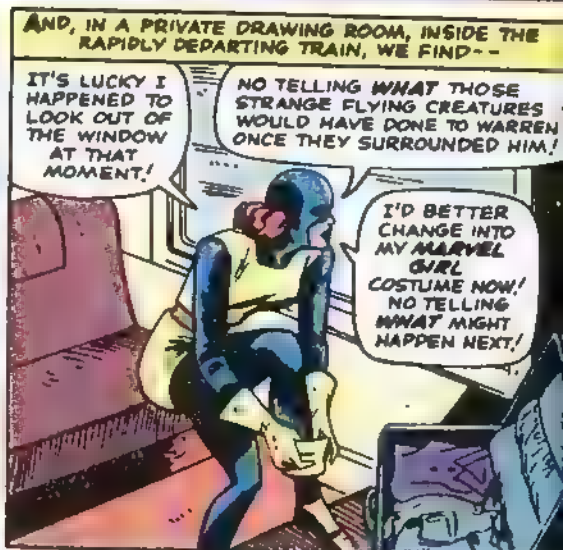
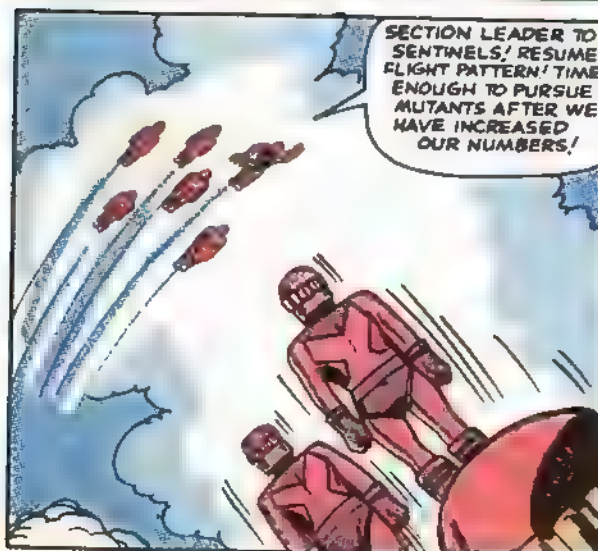
SENTINELS 6, 7, AND 8-R! ASSUME SOLO ATTACK POSTURE! ATTACK!

ALL OTHERS REMAIN IN FORMATION! PROCEED TO DESTINATION! THAT IS ALL!

WHO ARE THEY?? WHY ARE THEY ATTACKING ME? IS THIS WHY THE PROF SUMMONED ME?

WELL, I CAN WORRY ABOUT ALL THAT LATER! RIGHT NOW, I'M KINDA BUSY!

IT'S LUCKY THE PROF MADE ME SPEND SO MANY LONG HOURS PRACTICING MANEUVERABILITY!



AND, BACK AT THE TV STUDIO...

NOW THAT WE'RE ALONE IN HERE, WE MAY TALK FREELY! IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE LEARN WHAT IT WAS THAT **FELLED** THE SENTINEL!

WHATEVER IT WAS, I'D SURE LIKE TO HAVE A COUPLE OF 'EM!

BEFORE IT TOPPLED, I HEARD IT MUTTER SOMETHING THAT SOUNDED LIKE "MASTER MOLD"!

MY VOCABULARY IS EXCEEDED ONLY BY MY AGILITY AND CHARM-- BUT I'M AT A LOSS TO COMPREHEND WHAT **MASTER MOLD** MAY BE!

PROFESSOR-- CAN YOU TELL WHETHER IT'S COMPLETELY DESTROYED--OUR EQUIVALENT OF DEAD--OR, COULD IT RISE TO MENACE US AGAIN?

I CAN'T BE SURE OF ITS CONDITION! I SEEM TO GET FAINT MENTAL IMAGES FROM IT-- BUT, BEING MECHANICAL, RATHER THAN ALIVE, THEY'RE INDECIPHERABLE TO ME!

WAIT! BE ABSOLUTELY SILENT! CLEAR YOUR MINDS OF ANY THOUGHT!

I'M RECEIVING A VAGUE MENTAL IMPULSE--I CAN JUST BARELY MAKE IT OUT! IT'S SOME SORT OF LOCATION--WAIT--IT'S GETTING CLEARER--!

IT'S THE PLACE WHERE THE SENTINELS WERE CREATED! HE WANTS TO RETURN THERE! THE THOUGHT IS SO STRONG, THAT I CAN READ IT, EVEN THOUGH IT DOESN'T EMANATE FROM A HUMAN BRAIN!

IF I UNDERSTAND YOU CORRECTLY, SIR, YOU MEAN YOU'VE DISCOVERED WHERE THEIR HEADQUARTERS IS?

EXACTLY!

HERE COMES THE ANGEL-- AND JEAN! NOW WE'RE AT OUR FULL FIGHTING STRENGTH AGAIN!

GOOD! I'M AFRAID WE WILL HAVE TO BE--FOR THE DANGER THAT AWAITS US!

SECONDS LATER, AFTER ALL THE EXPLANATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE...

THEY WERE HEADING WEST WHEN I LAST SAW THEM! PERHAPS IF I FLY AHEAD, I CAN STILL FIND SOME TRACE OF WHERE THEY WENT...

IT WON'T BE NECESSARY, WARREN! I KNOW WHERE THEY'VE GONE! WE CAN BE THERE WITHIN THE HOUR!

GOOD! I'M CONTEMPLATING A RETURN ENGAGEMENT WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION!

BUT, DON'T EXPECT IT TO BE AN EASY BATTLE! THERE IS MORE TO THE MENACE OF THE SENTINELS THAN MEETS THE EYE!

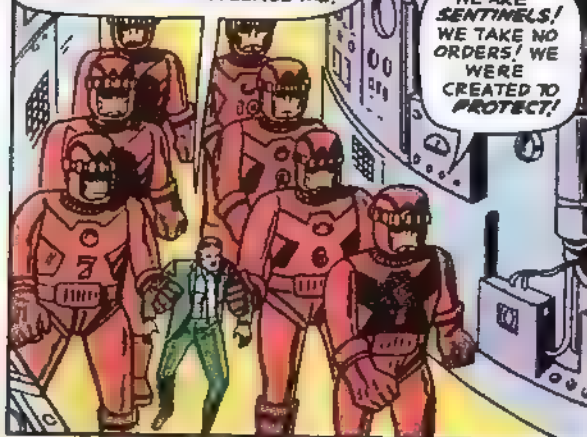
IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THEY REPRESENT THE GREATEST THREAT WE HAVE EVER FACED...

AND, THE KEY TO IT ALL MAY LIE BEHIND THE WORDS... **MASTER MOLD!**

MEANWHILE, THE SENTINELS, AND THEIR NOW-CONSCIOUS HUMAN PRISONER, HAVE REACHED THEIR DESTINATION...

TURN ME LOOSE! LET ME GO!!
I ORDER YOU TO RELEASE ME!!

WE ARE
SENTINELS!
WE TAKE NO
ORDERS! WE
WERE
CREATED TO
PROTECT!

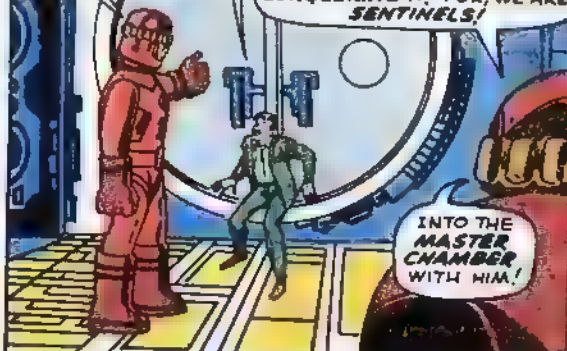


IT WAS HERE
THAT WE WERE
CREATED! IT IS
HERE THAT
MANY MANY
MORE
SENTINELS SHALL
BE BORN!

NO! THERE MUST BE NO MORE OF
YOU-- NOT UNTIL I LEARN WHAT I
DID WRONG! NOT UNTIL I'VE
BROUGHT YOU UNDER MY CONTROL
AGAIN!

IT IS TOO LATE FOR THAT,
HUMAN! THE ONLY WAY WE
CAN PROTECT MANKIND IS BY
CONQUERING IT! FOR, WE ARE
SENTINELS!

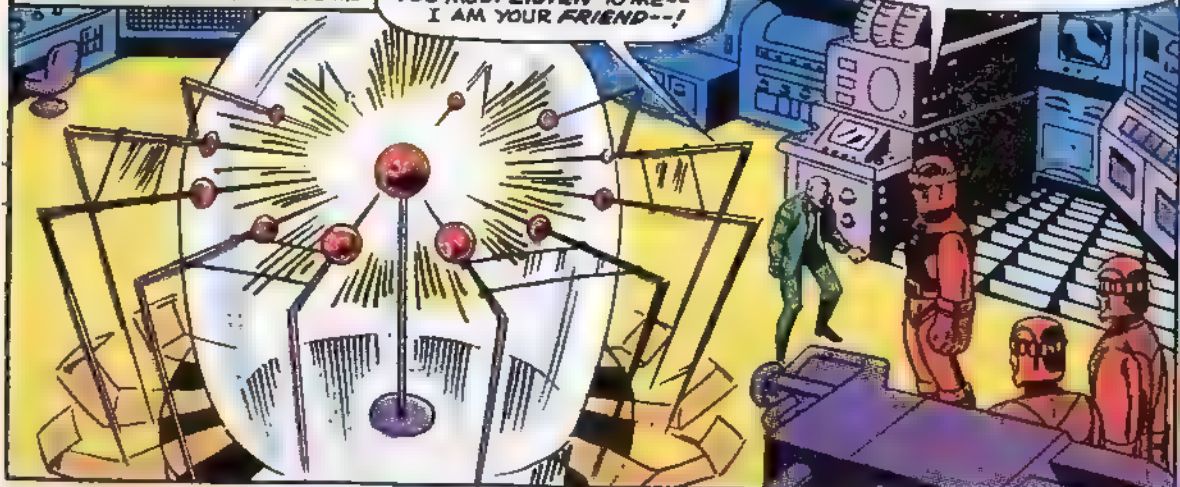
INTO THE
MASTER
CHAMBER
WITH HIM!



WITHOUT ANOTHER WORD, THE
POWERFUL, ARTIFICIAL CREATURES
BRING DR. TRASK INTO A HUGE,
INCREDIBLY-CONSTRUCTED ROOM...

THIS IS MADNESS! YOU KNOW
IT IS FORBIDDEN FOR ANY
SENTINELS TO ENTER HERE!!
YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME--
I AM YOUR FRIEND--!

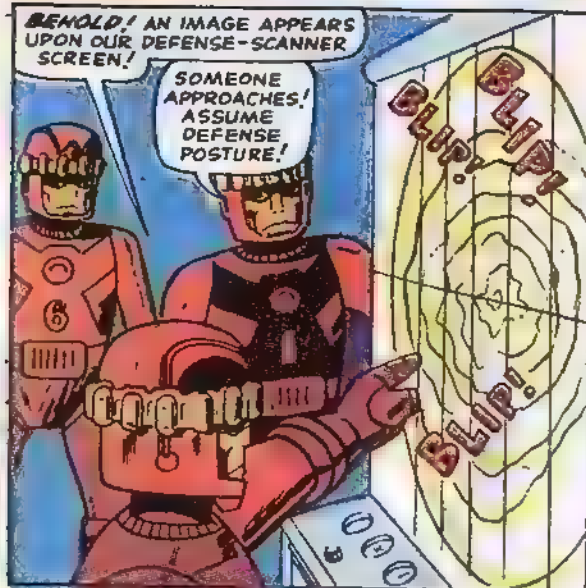
WE NEED NO FRIENDS! WE ARE
SENTINELS! WE WERE BORN
TO PROTECT!



BEHOLD! AN IMAGE APPEARS
UPON OUR DEFENSE-SCANNER
SCREEN!

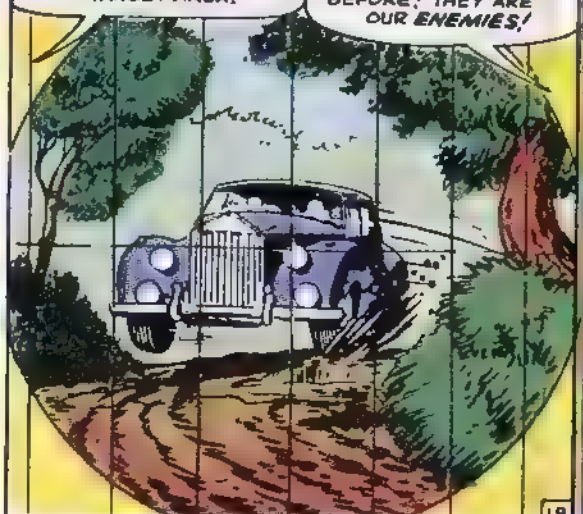
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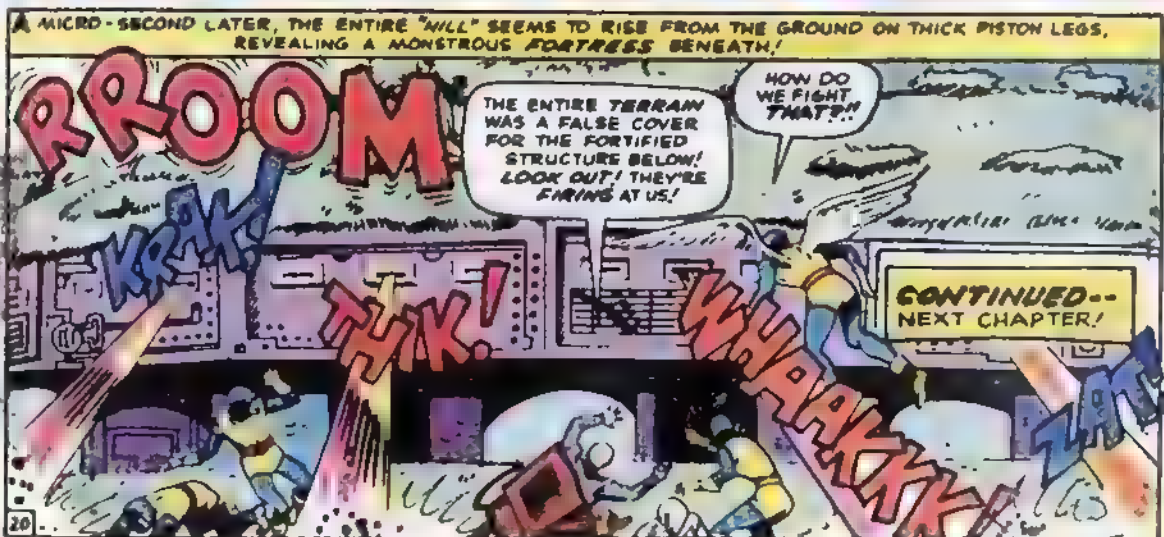
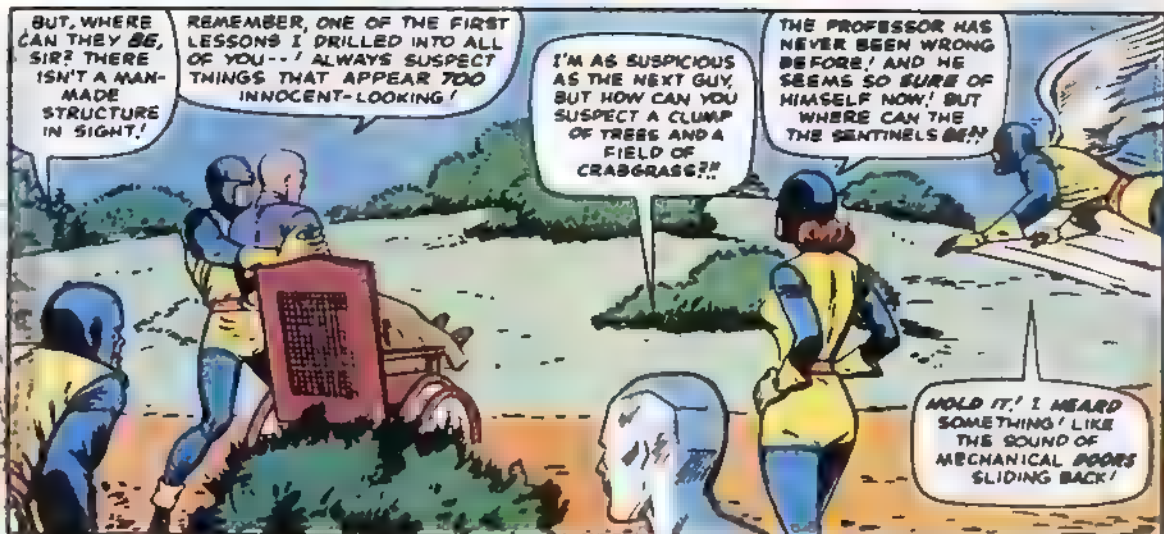
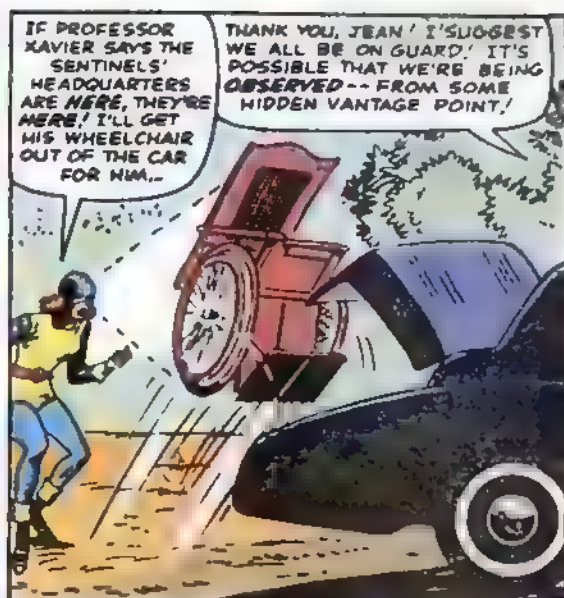
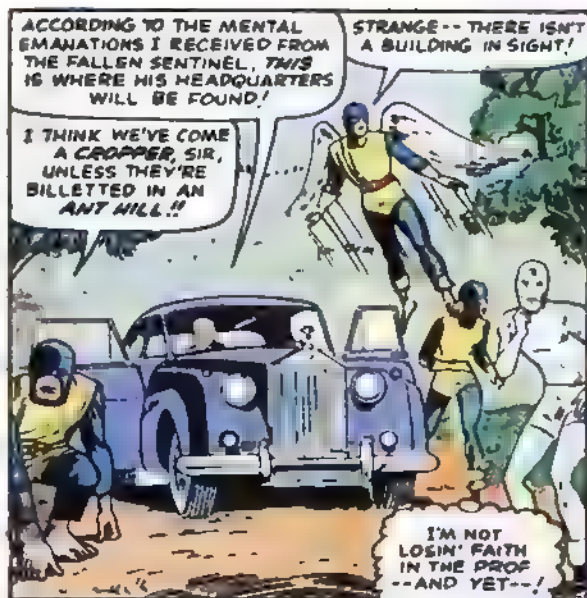
BLIP! BLIP!
BLIP!



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VEHICLE! IT ENTERS THE
TARGET AREA!

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ONES WE HAVE SEEN
BEFORE! THEY ARE
OUR ENEMIES!





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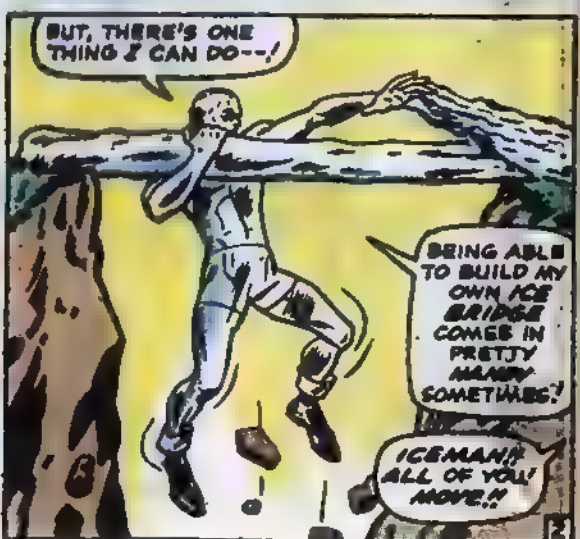
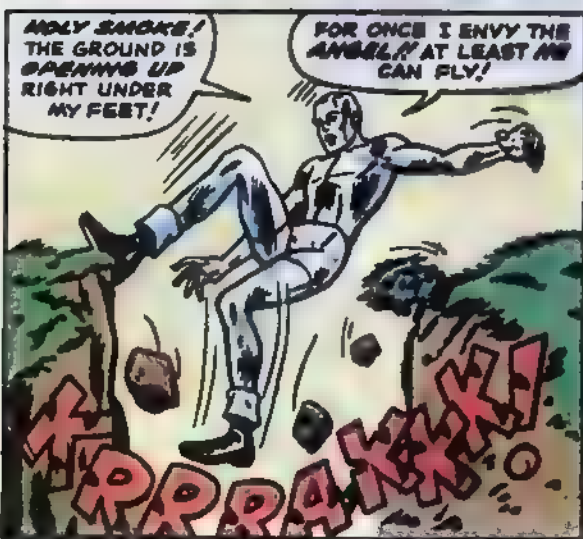
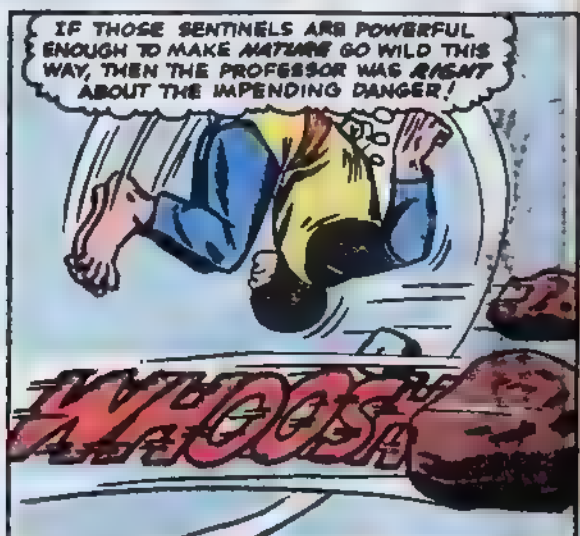
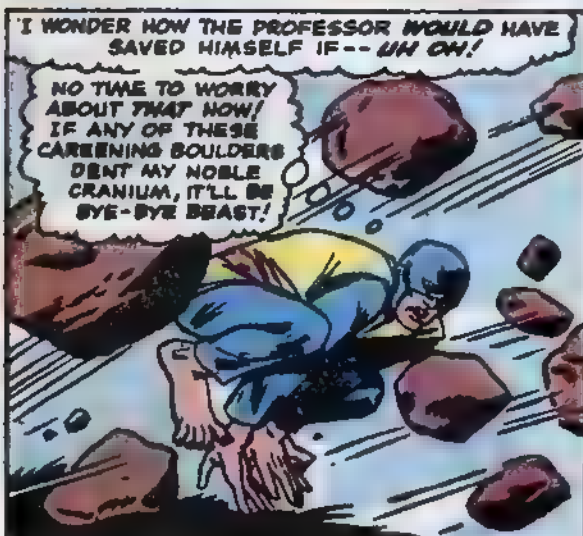
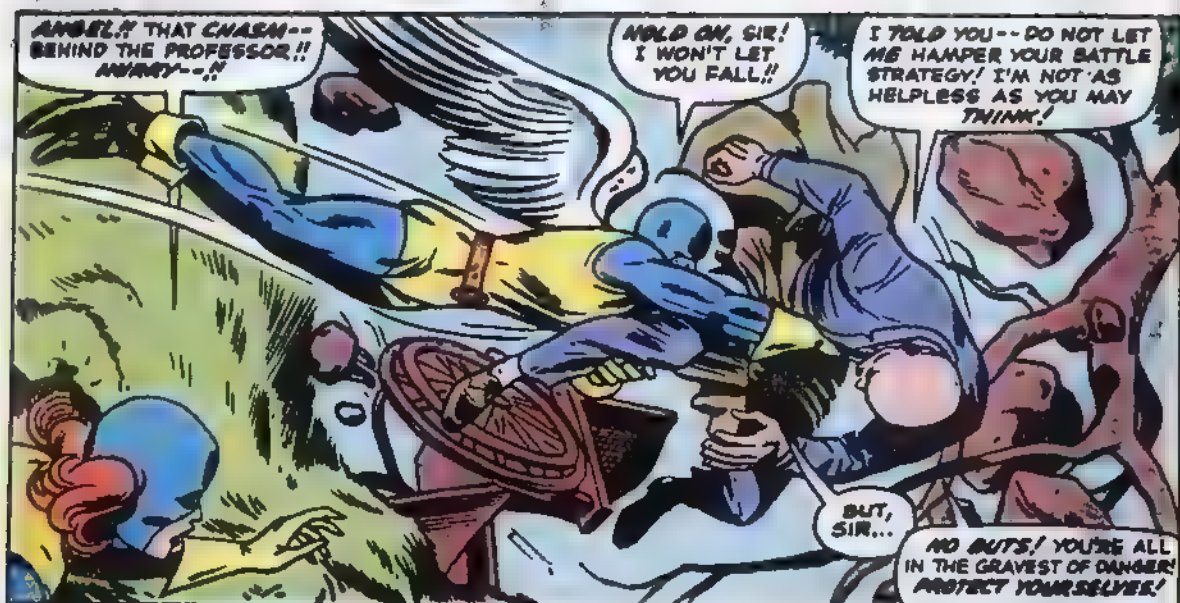
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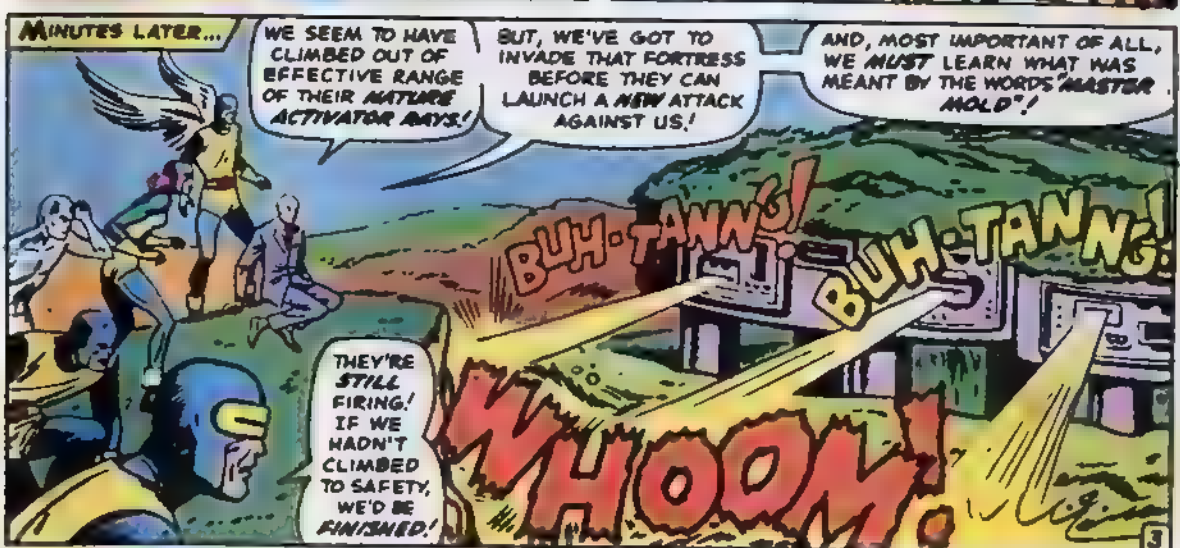
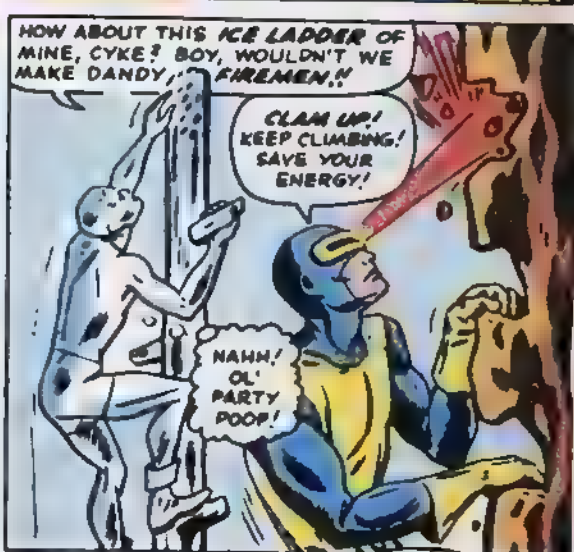
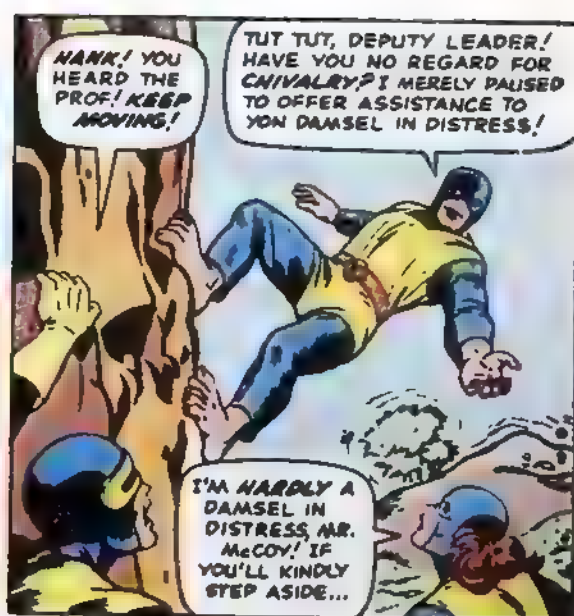
WOW-SEE! THEY'RE GOIN' ALL OUT TO FINISH US OFF!

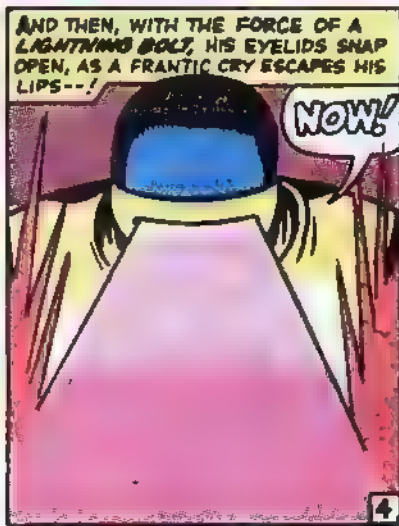
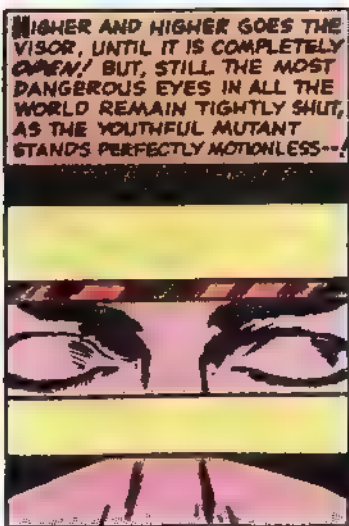
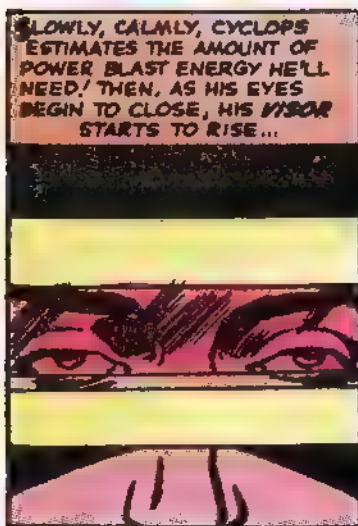
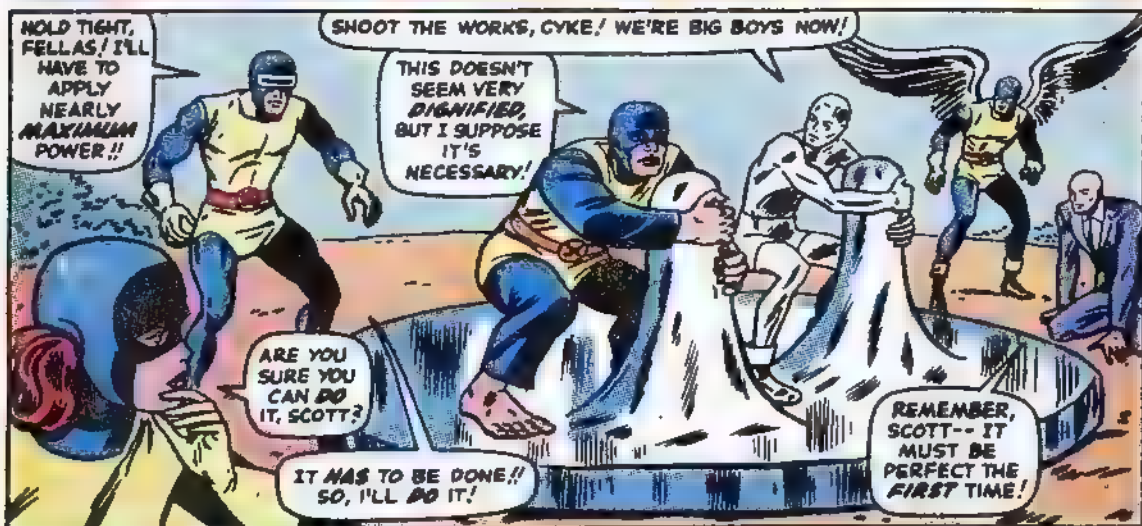
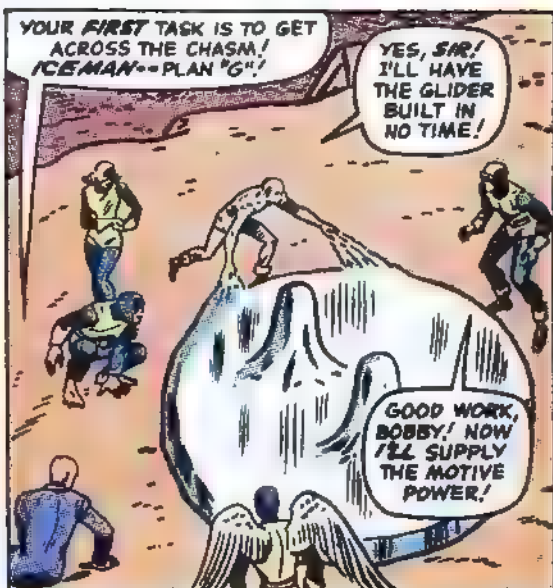
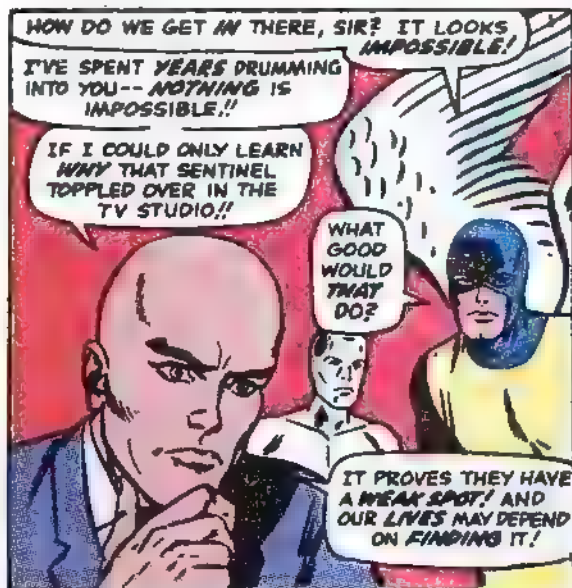
I AM UNHURT! YOUR MAIN OBJECTIVE IS TO STRIKE BACK AT THE SENTINELS!

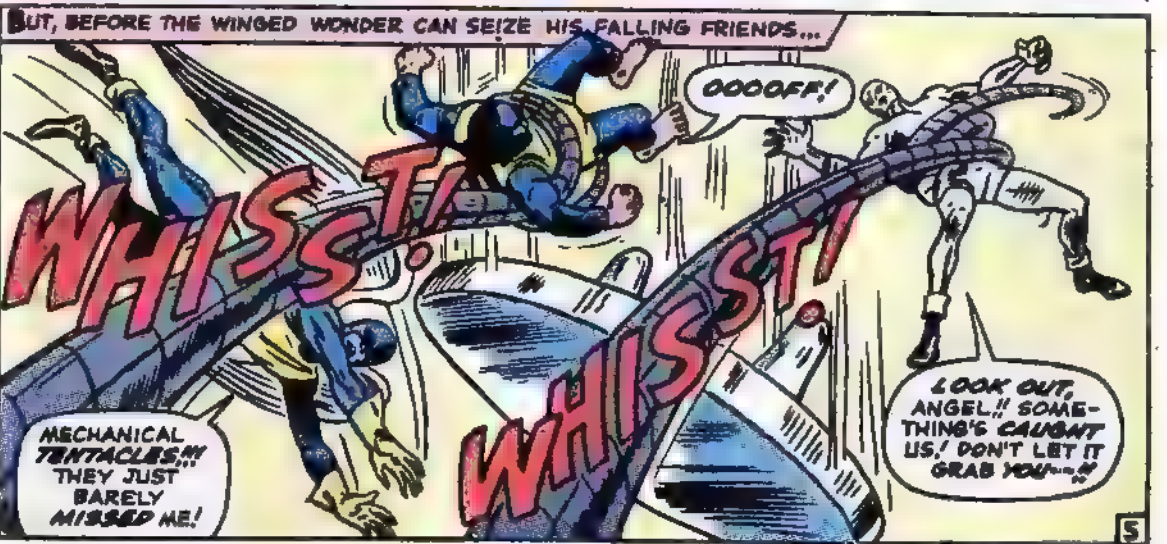
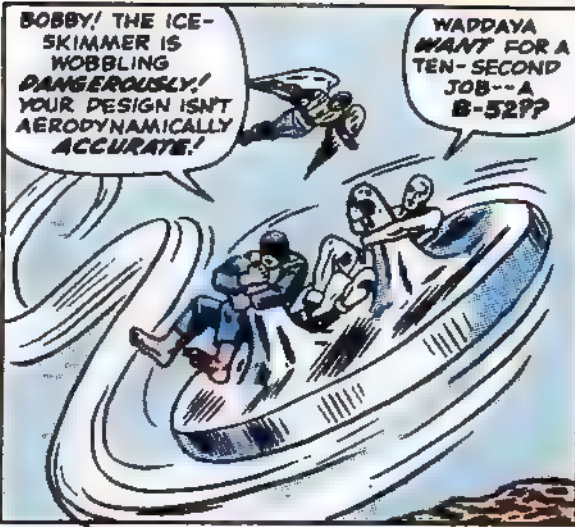
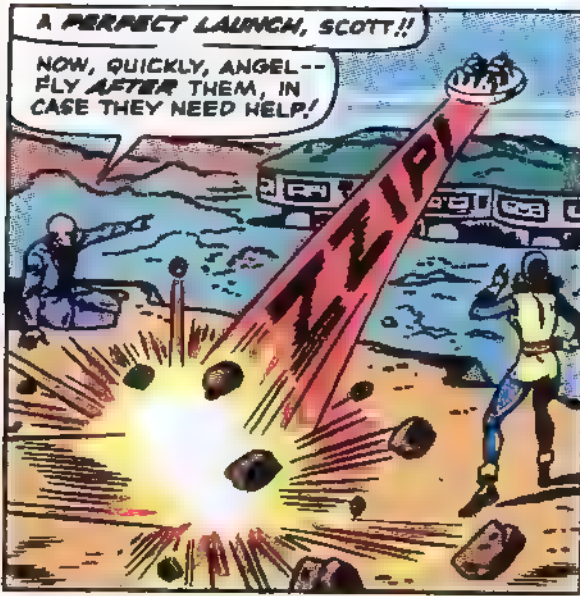
BUT THERE ARE SO MANY OF THEM--AND THEY'RE SO POWERFUL!

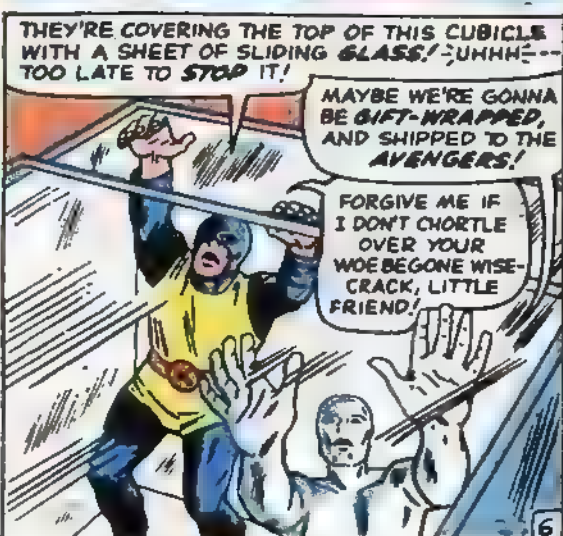
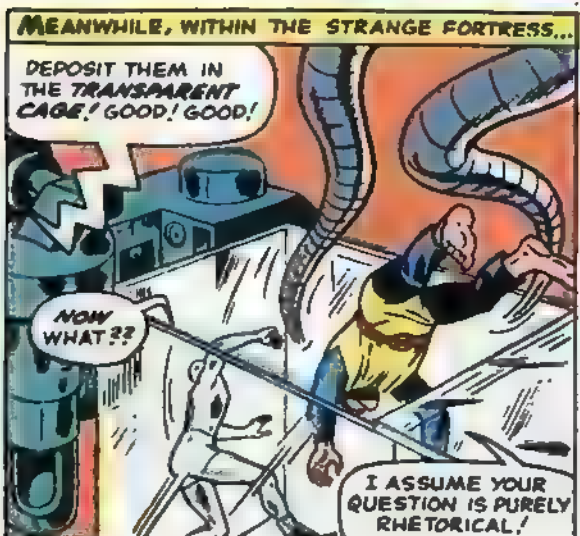
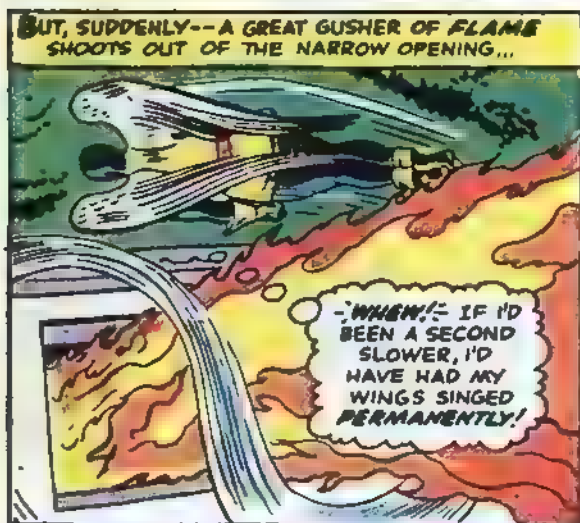
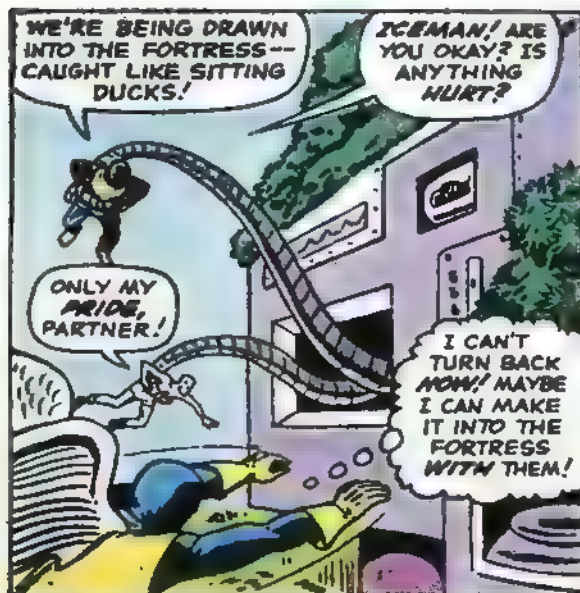
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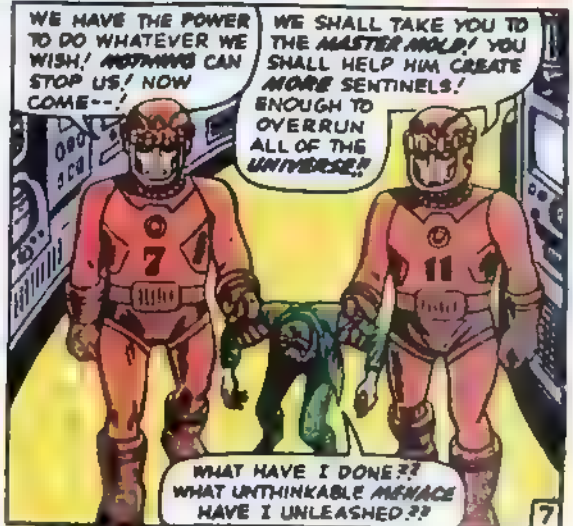
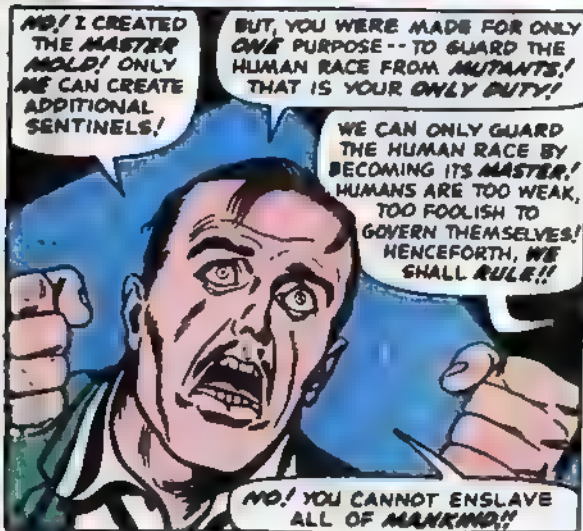
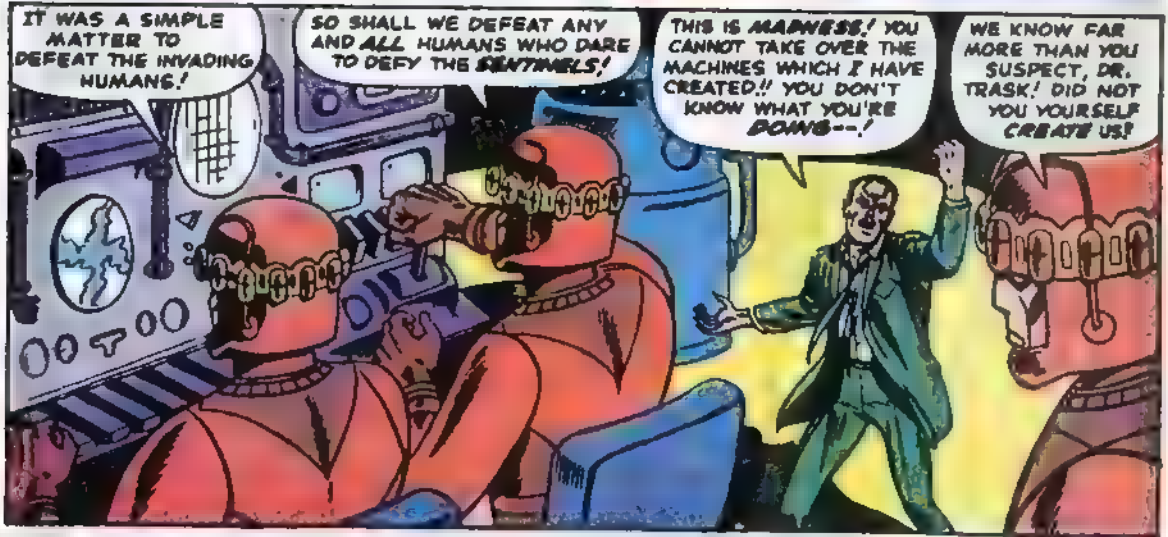
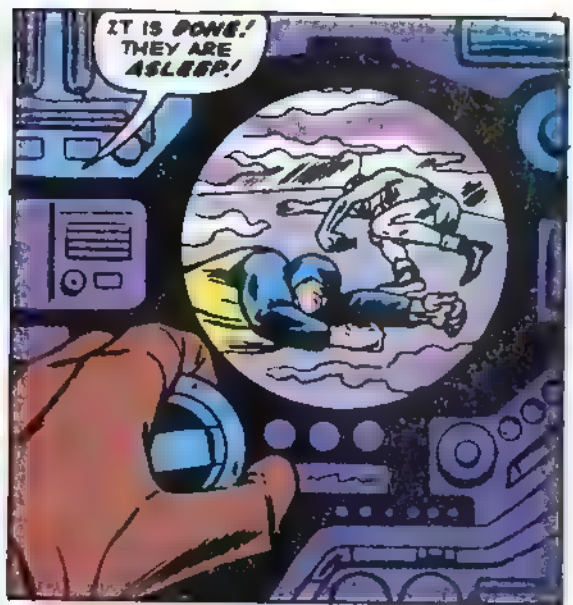
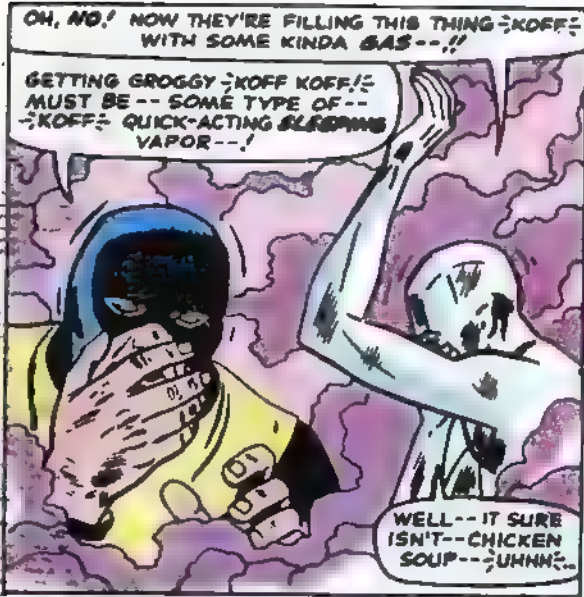










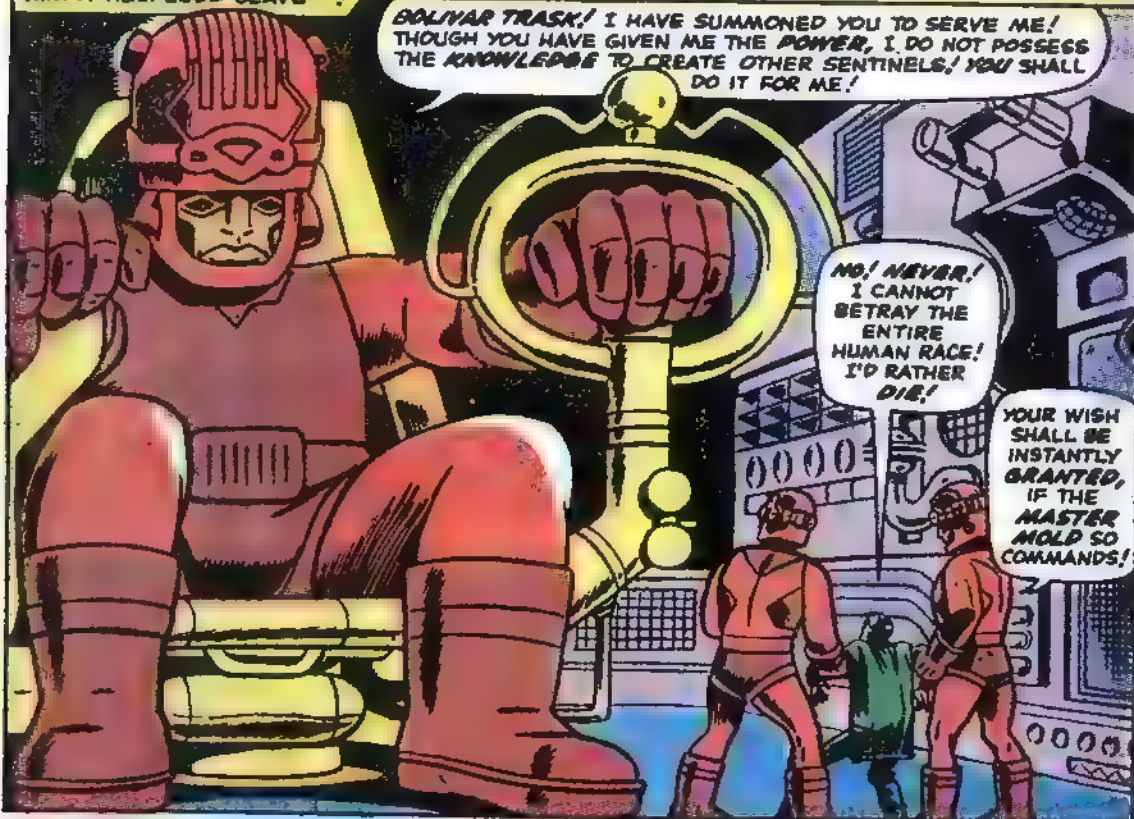


SECONDS LATER, HE WHO HAD BEEN THE MASTER, IS BROUGHT BEFORE THE ONE WHO HAS MADE HIM A HELPLESS SLAVE--!

BOLIVAR TRASK! I HAVE SUMMONED YOU TO SERVE ME! THOUGH YOU HAVE GIVEN ME THE **POWER**, I DO NOT POSSESS THE **KNOWLEDGE** TO CREATE OTHER SENTINELS! YOU SHALL DO IT FOR ME!

NO! NEVER! I CANNOT BETRAY THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE! I'D RATHER **DIE!**

YOUR WISH SHALL BE INSTANTLY **GRANTED**, IF THE **MASTER** HOLD SO COMMANDS!



REMEMBER THE **WEAPONS** YOU HAVE GIVEN ME! I CAN DESTROY HALF YOUR NATION! REFUSE TO SERVE ME, AND YOU'LL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CARNAGE THAT RESULTS!

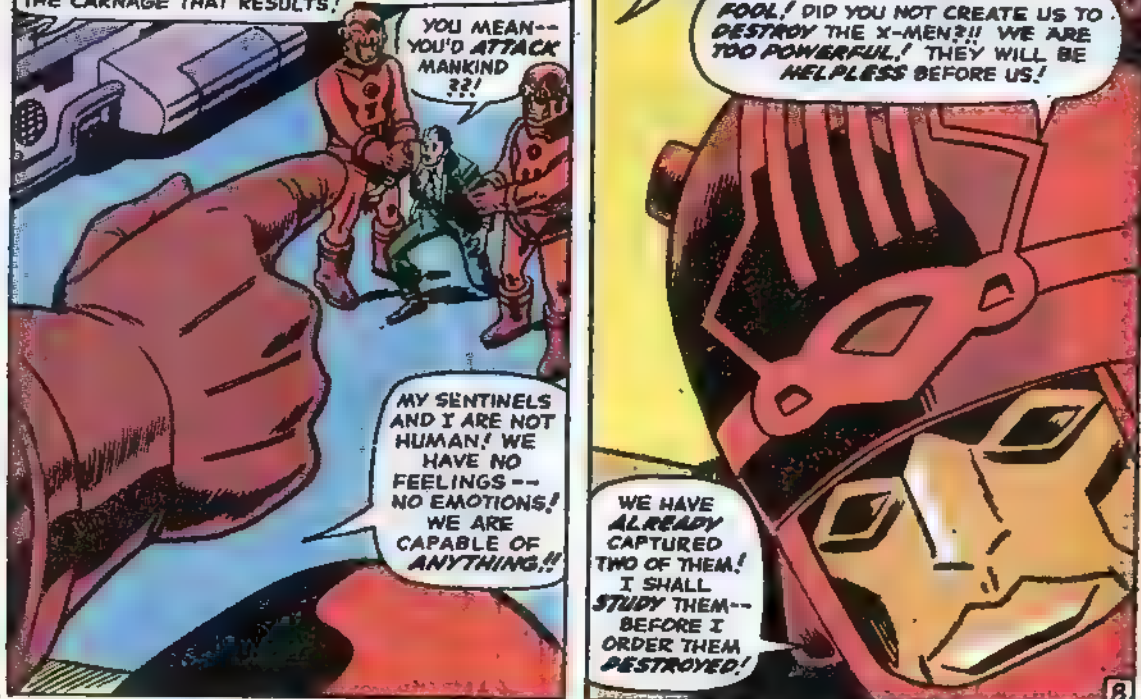
YOU MEAN-- YOU'D ATTACK MANKIND ??!

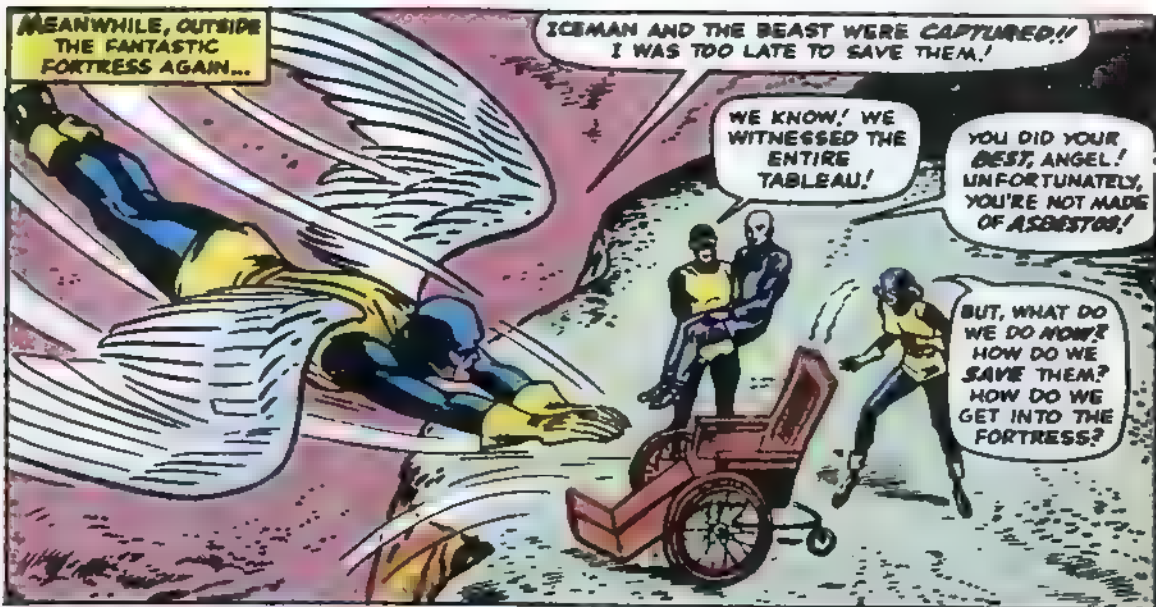
MY SENTINELS AND I ARE NOT HUMAN! WE HAVE NO FEELINGS-- NO EMOTIONS! WE ARE CAPABLE OF **ANYTHING!!**

BUT-- THE **X-MEN** WILL FIGHT YOU! THEY'LL FIND SOME WAY TO DESTROY YOU ALL!

FOOL! DID YOU NOT CREATE US TO DESTROY THE **X-MEN**?!! WE ARE TOO **POWERFUL!** THEY WILL BE **HELPLESS** BEFORE US!

WE HAVE **ALREADY** CAPTURED TWO OF THEM! I SHALL **STUDY** THEM-- BEFORE I ORDER THEM **DESTROYED!**





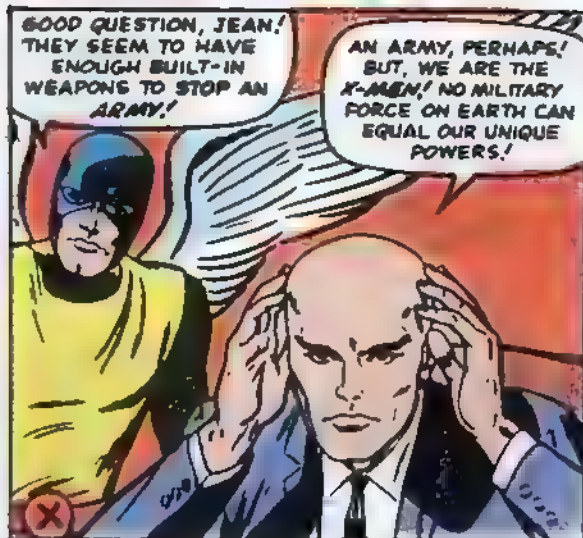
MEANWHILE, OUTSIDE
THE FANTASTIC
FORTRESS AGAIN...

ICEMAN AND THE BEAST WERE CAPTURED!!
I WAS TOO LATE TO SAVE THEM!

WE KNOW! WE
WITNESSED THE
ENTIRE
TABLEAU!

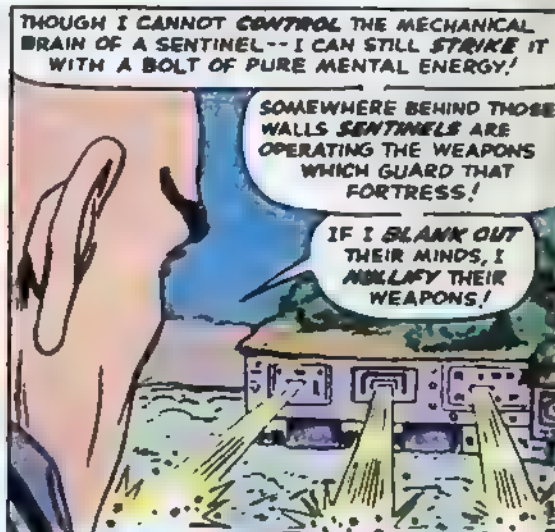
YOU DID YOUR
BEST, ANGEL!
UNFORTUNATELY,
YOU'RE NOT MADE
OF ASBESTOS!

BUT, WHAT DO
WE DO NOW?
HOW DO WE
SAVE THEM?
HOW DO WE
GET INTO THE
FORTRESS?



GOOD QUESTION, JEAN!
THEY SEEM TO HAVE
ENOUGH BUILT-IN
WEAPONS TO STOP AN
ARMY!

AN ARMY, PERHAPS!
BUT, WE ARE THE
X-MEN! NO MILITARY
FORCE ON EARTH CAN
EQUAL OUR UNIQUE
POWERS!



THOUGH I CANNOT CONTROL THE MECHANICAL
BRAIN OF A SENTINEL-- I CAN STILL STRIKE IT
WITH A BOLT OF PURE MENTAL ENERGY!

SOMEWHERE BEHIND THOSE
WALLS SENTINELS ARE
OPERATING THE WEAPONS
WHICH GUARD THAT
FORTRESS!

IF I BLANK OUT
THEIR MINDS, I
MAY DEFUSE THEIR
WEAPONS!



GREAT, PROFESSOR!
IF YOU CAN DOUSE
THOSE RAYS, WE
CAN STRIKE BEFORE
THEY KNOW IT!

EXACTLY! THE TIME HAS
COME FOR ME TO BE AN ACTIVE
PARTICIPANT IN OUR BATTLE!
FIRST, I SHALL MENTALLY
TRACE THE RAYS TO THEIR
ORIGINAL SOURCE--!

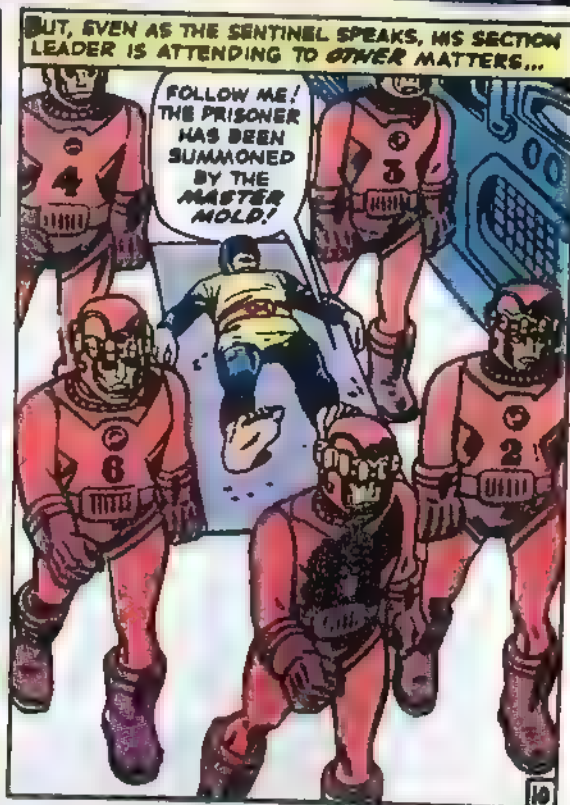
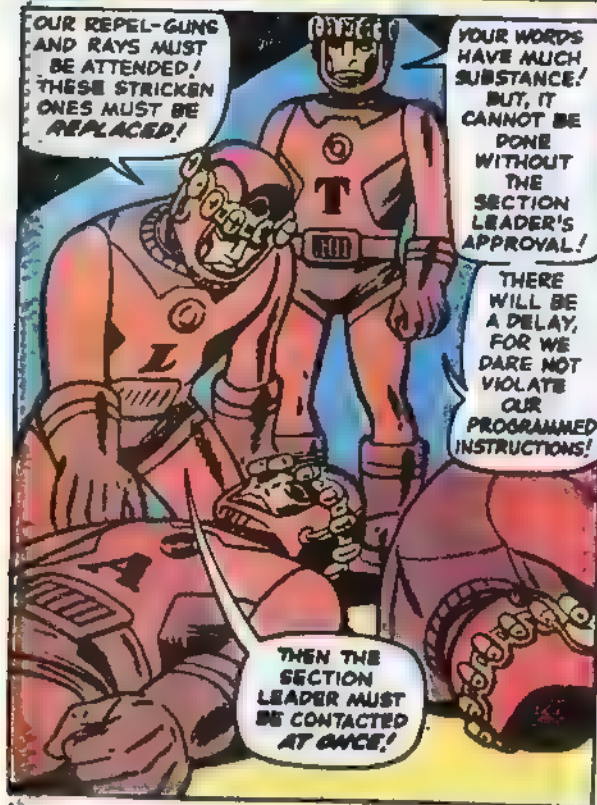
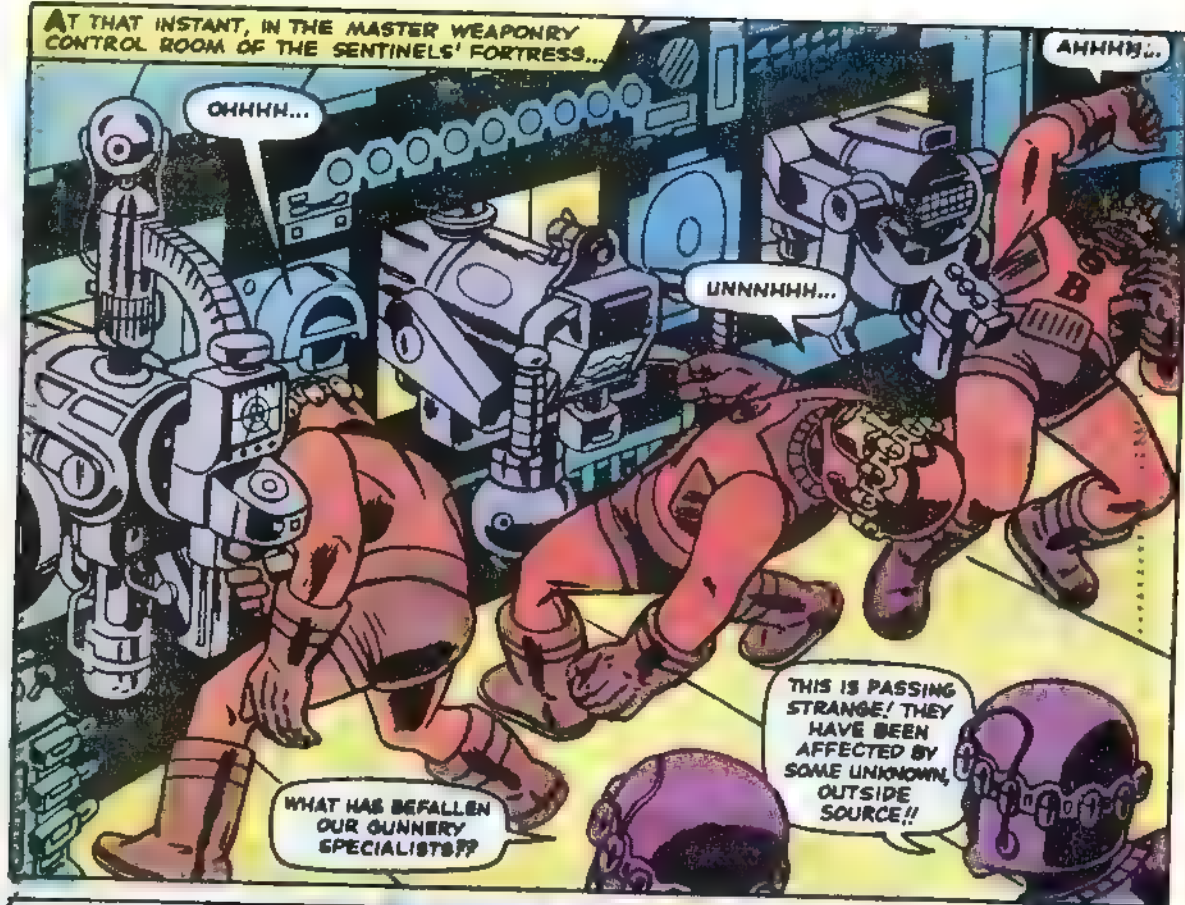
WE'LL
STAND READY, SIR!
ONCE THOSE RAYS
GO OUT, WE
MOVE!!

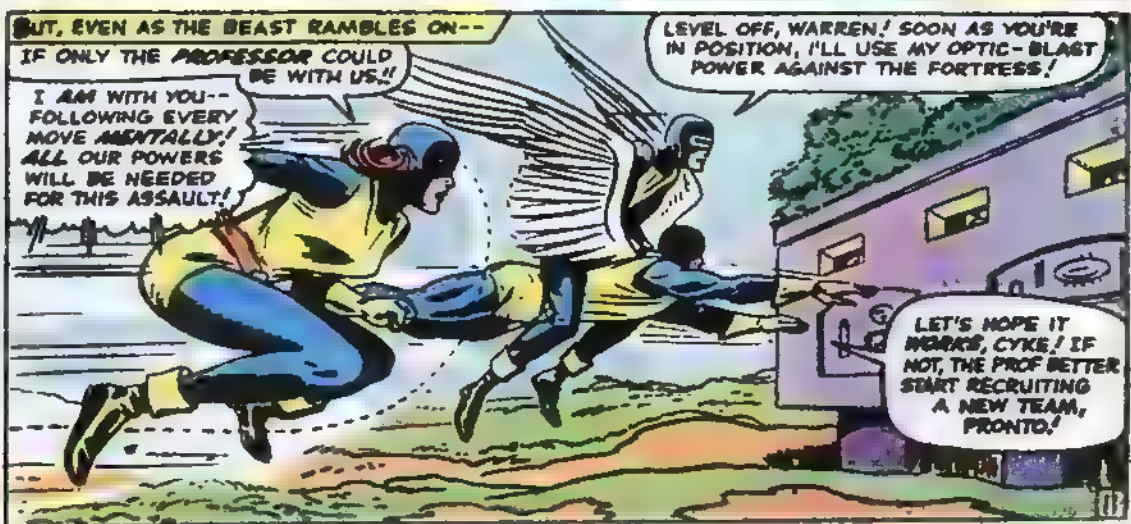
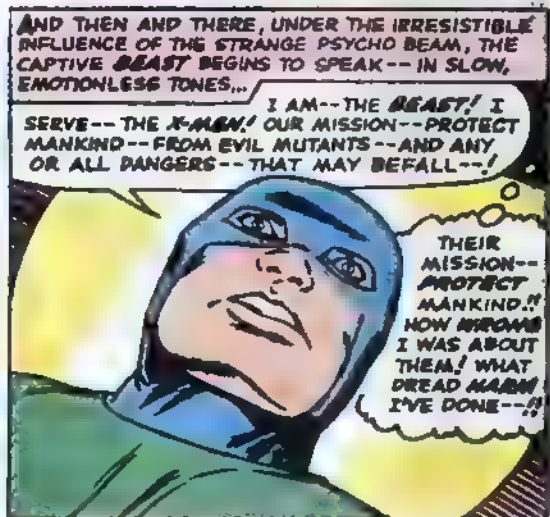
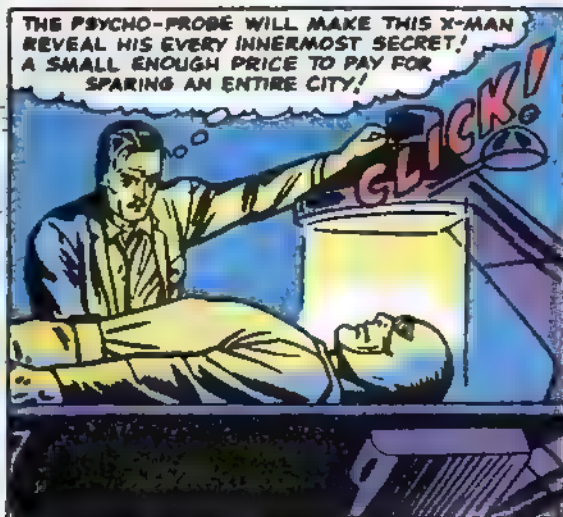
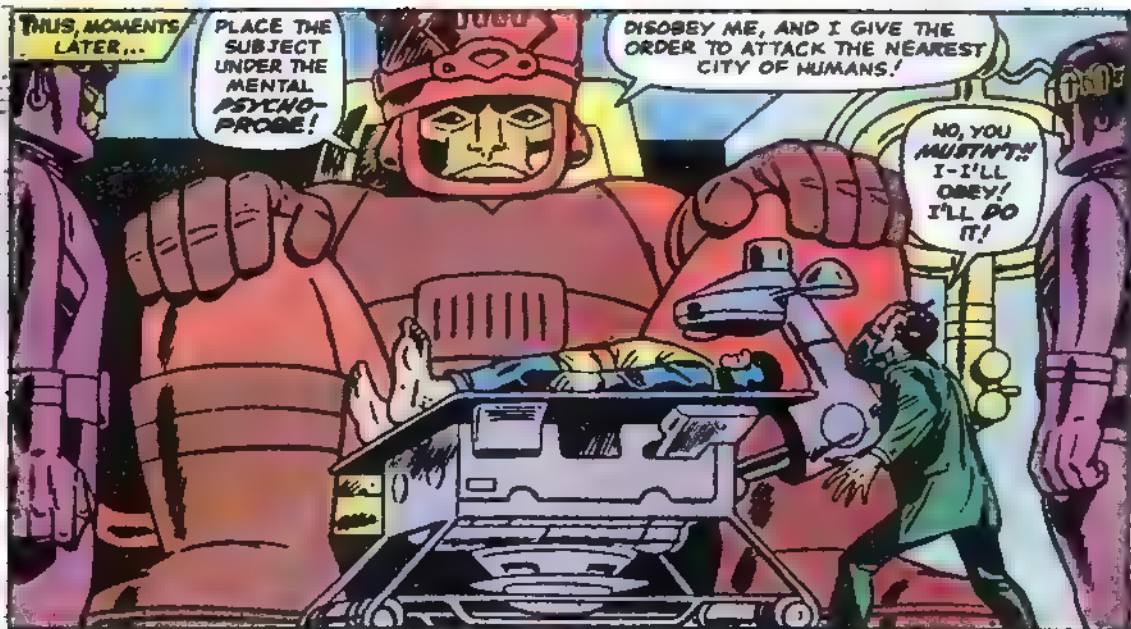


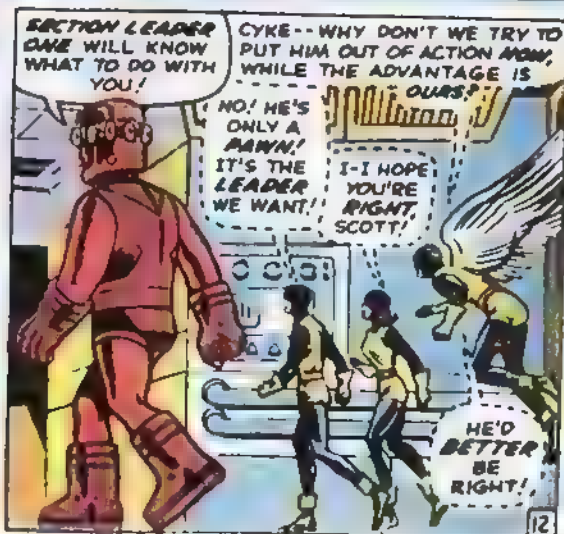
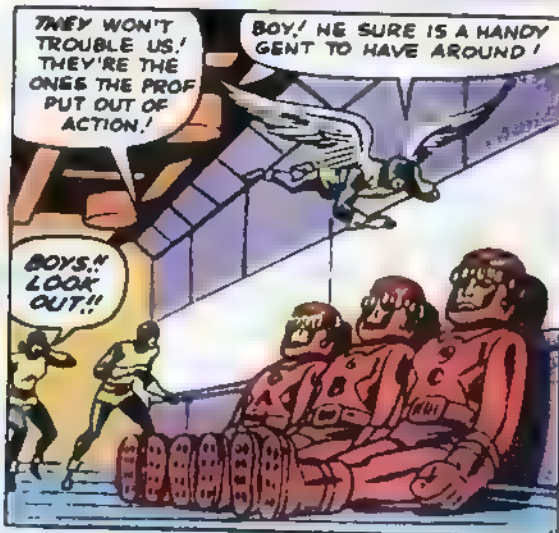
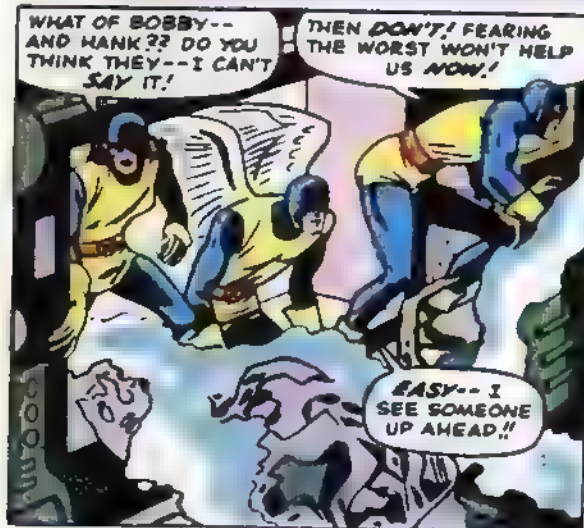
SILENCE!! DO NOT
MAKE A SOUND!! DO
NOT MOVE A MUSCLE!!

I'VE TAPPED
THE RAYS! I'M
FOLLOWING
THEM--
FOLLOWING--
NOW!!

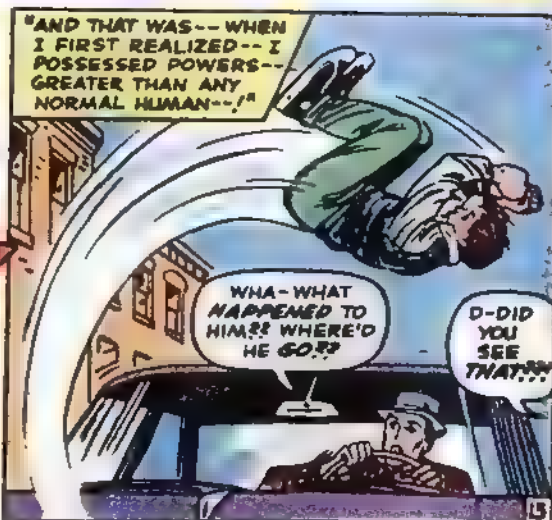
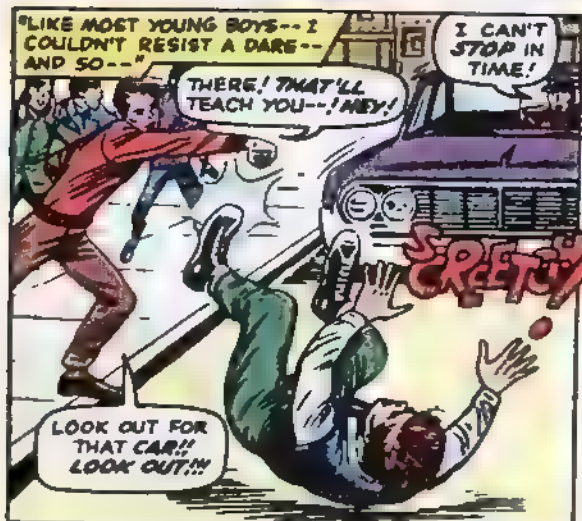
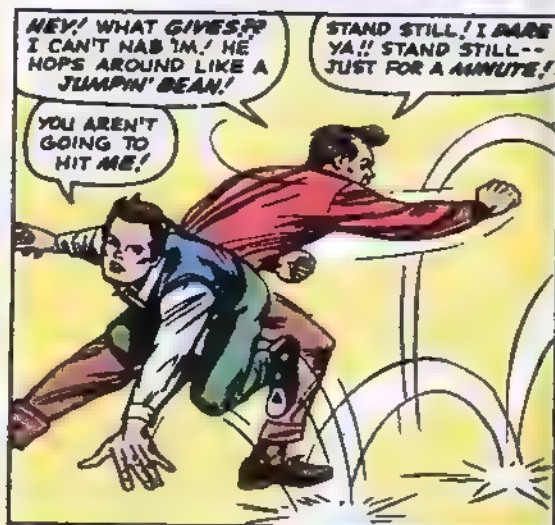
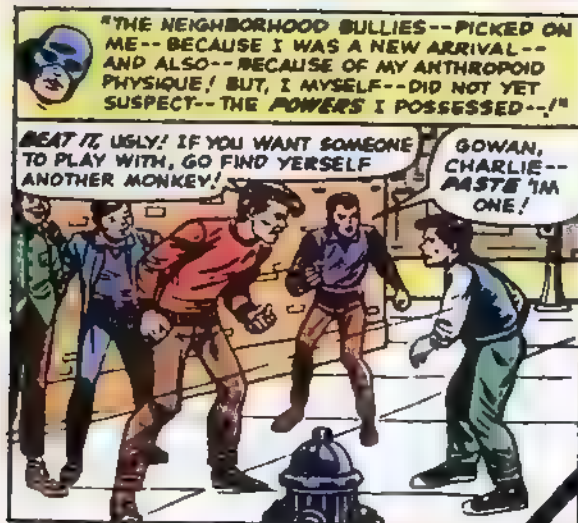
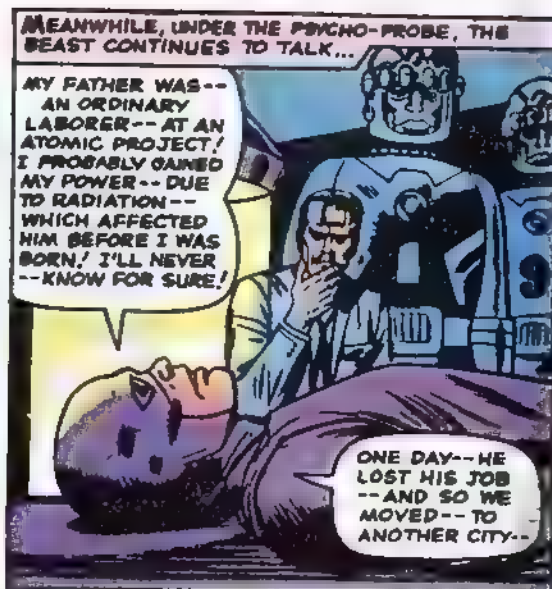
AT THAT INSTANT, IN THE MASTER WEAPONRY CONTROL ROOM OF THE SENTINELS' FORTRESS...

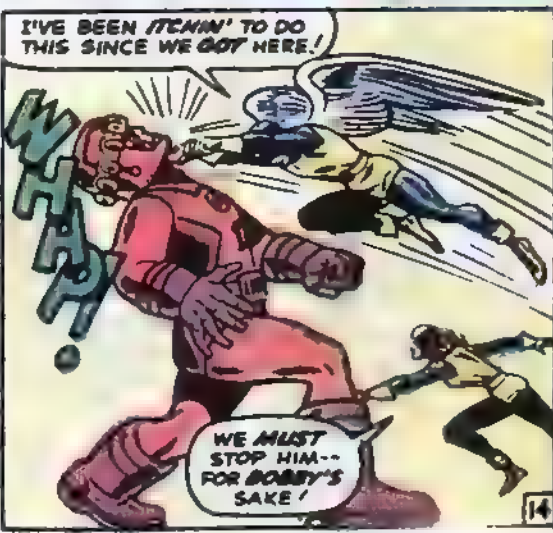
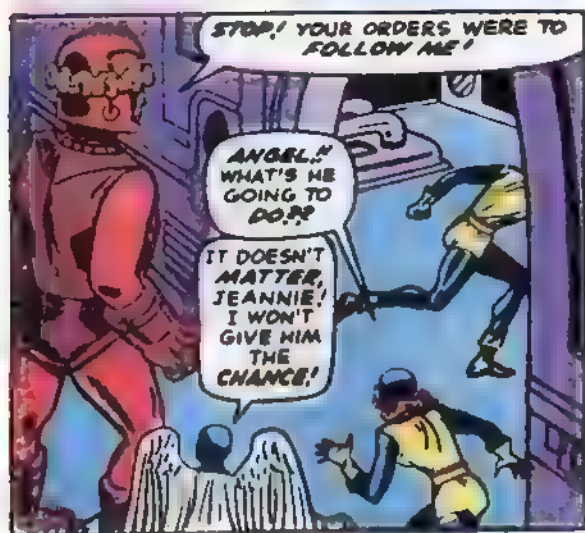
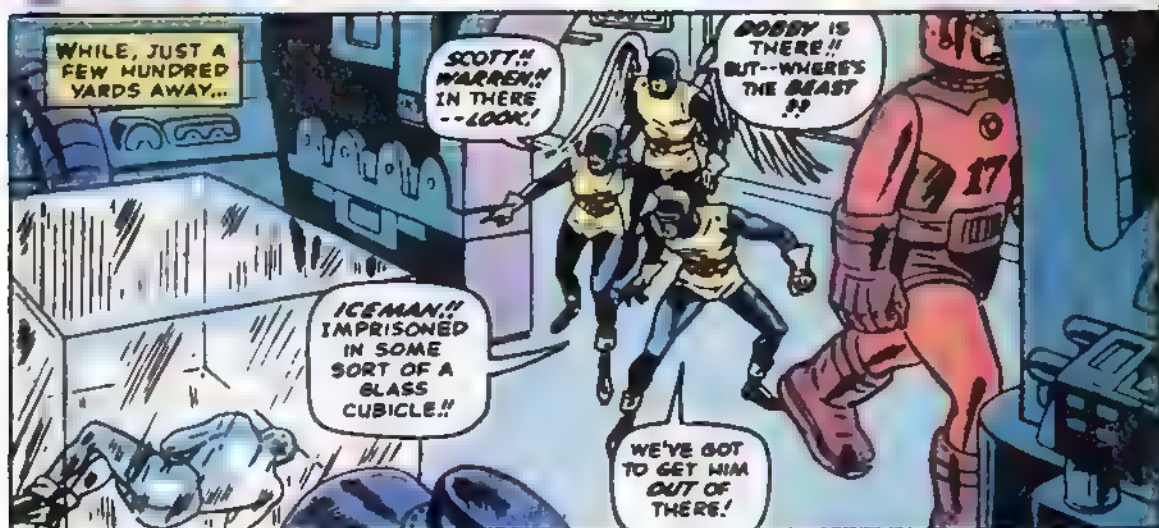
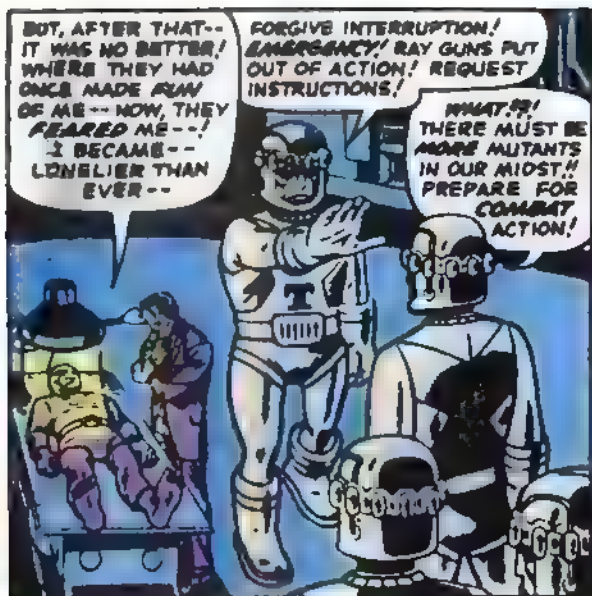


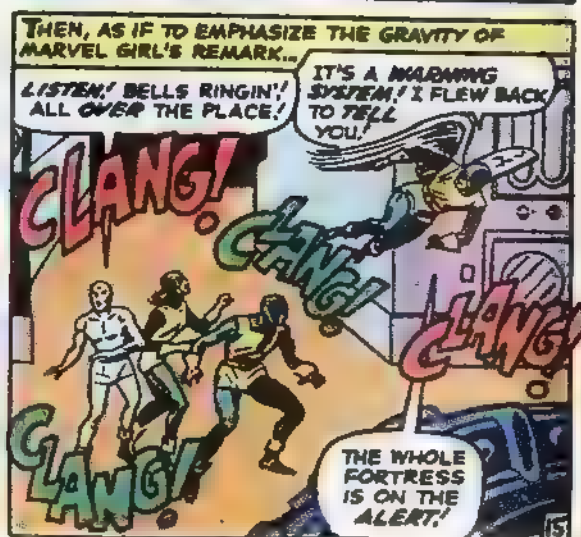
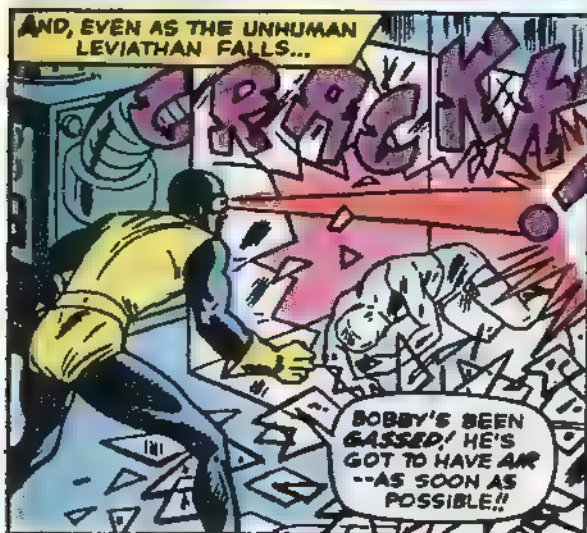
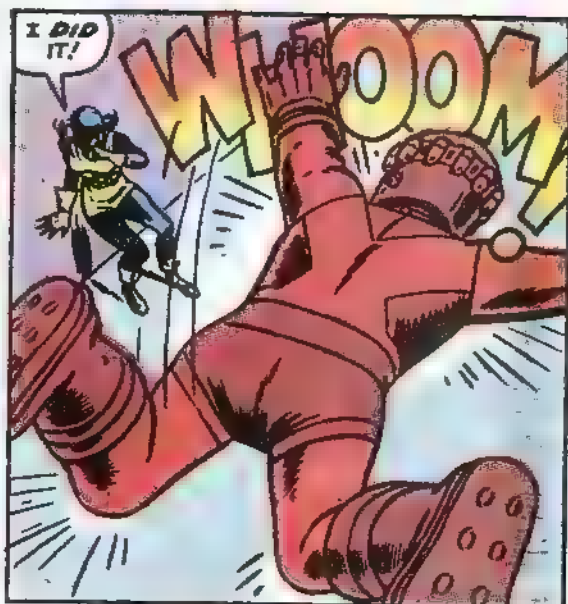
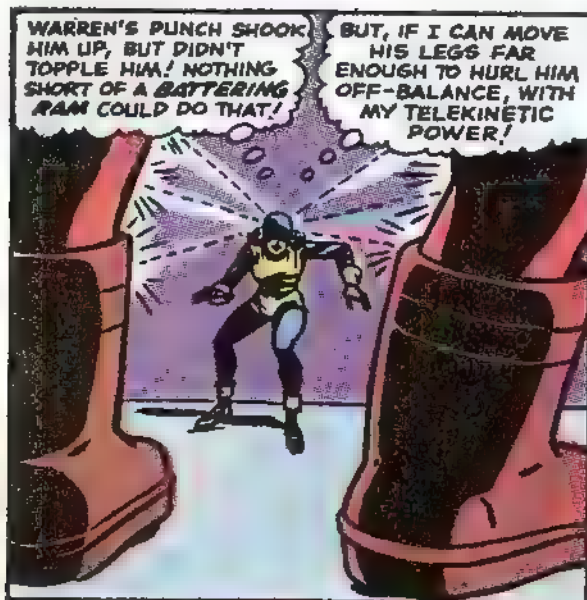


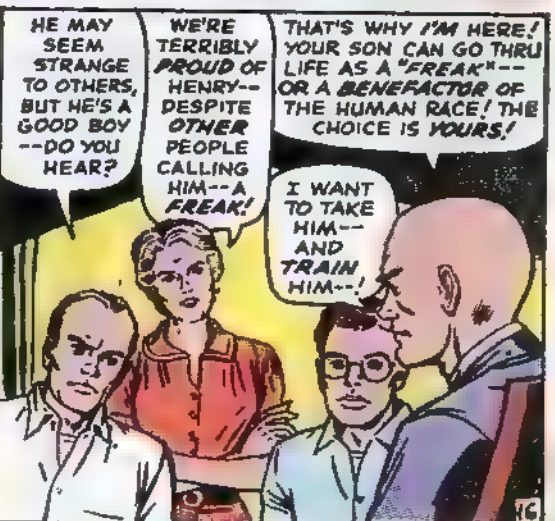
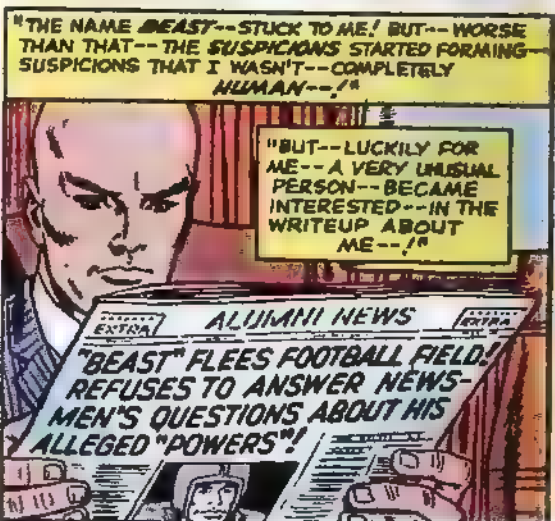
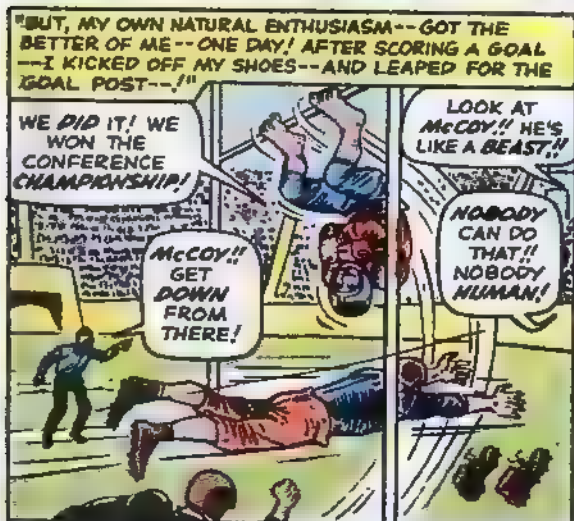
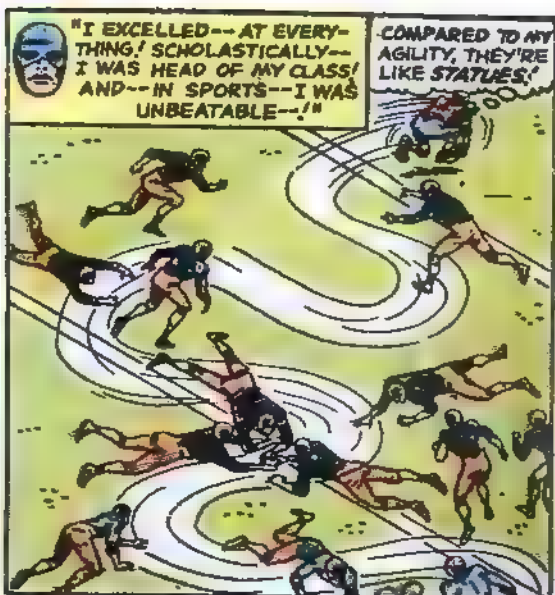
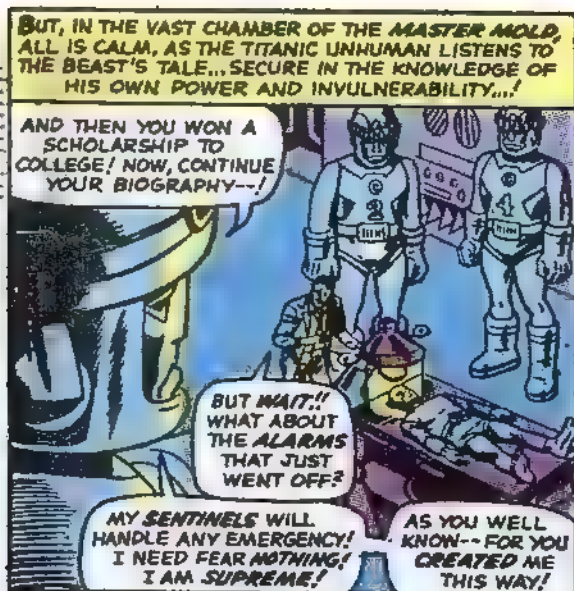


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MEANWHILE, ACROSS THE CHASM FROM THE SENTINEL'S
FORTRESS, PROFESSOR XAVIER, MENTALLY SCANNING
THE AREA, SUDDENLY GASPS WITH ALARM...

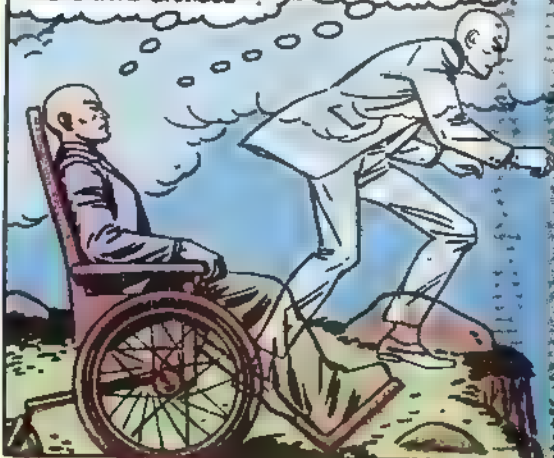
HANK CANNOT HELP
HIMSELF! UNDER THAT
PSYCHIC PROBE HE'S
TELLING TOO MUCH!



I'VE GOT TO
STOP HIM, BEFORE
HE GIVES AWAY
TOO MANY OF OUR
SECRETS!

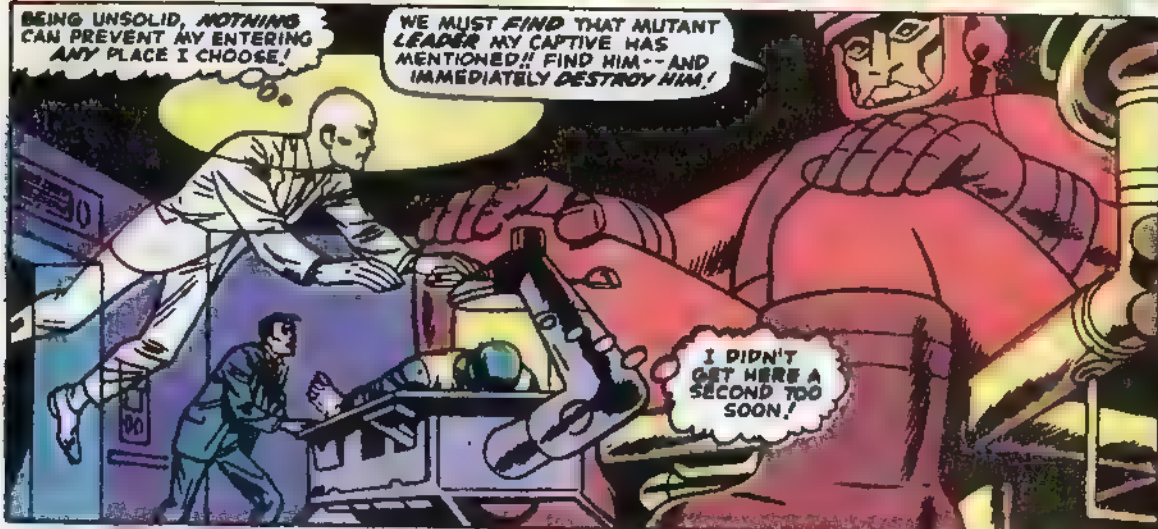
ALTHOUGH I'M CONFINED
TO THIS CHAIR-- WHICH
LUCKILY, JEAN LEVITATED
FROM WHERE IT HAD
FALLEN BELOW-- I'VE
GOT TO TAKE A
DESPERATE GAMBLE--!

I'LL SEND MY
INVISIBLE ASTRAL
IMAGE TO WHERE
HANK IS! IT'S THE
ONLY THING THAT
CAN HELP NOW!!



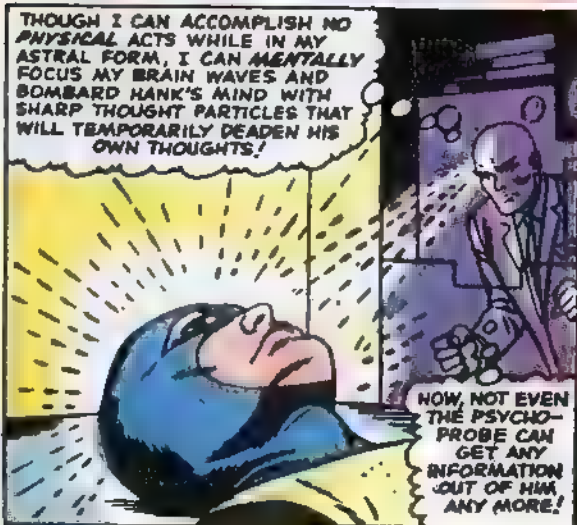
BEING UNSOLID, NOTHING
CAN PREVENT MY ENTERING
ANY PLACE I CHOOSE!

WE MUST FIND THAT MUTANT
LEADER MY CAPTIVE HAS
MENTIONED!! FIND HIM--AND
IMMEDIATELY DESTROY HIM!



I DIDN'T
GET HERE A
SECOND TOO
SOON!

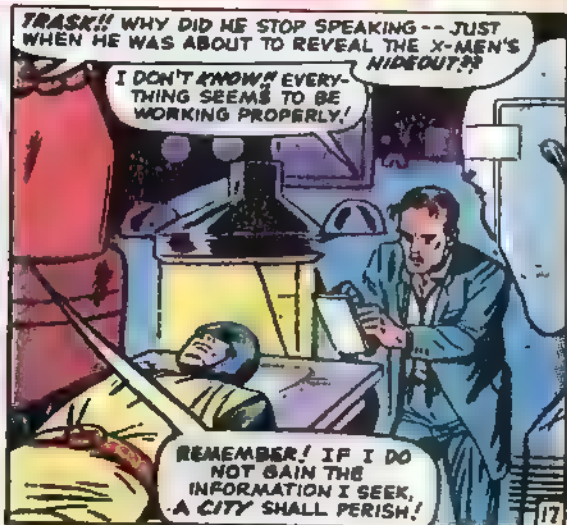
THOUGH I CAN ACCOMPLISH NO
PHYSICAL ACTS WHILE IN MY
ASTRAL FORM, I CAN MENTALLY
FOCUS MY BRAIN WAVES AND
BOMBARD HANK'S MIND WITH
SHARP THOUGHT PARTICLES THAT
WILL TEMPORARILY DEADEN HIS
OWN THOUGHTS!



NOW, NOT EVEN
THE PSYCHO-
PROBE CAN
GET ANY
INFORMATION
OUT OF HIM
ANY MORE!

TRASK!! WHY DID HE STOP SPEAKING-- JUST
WHEN HE WAS ABOUT TO REVEAL THE X-MEN'S
HIDEOUT??

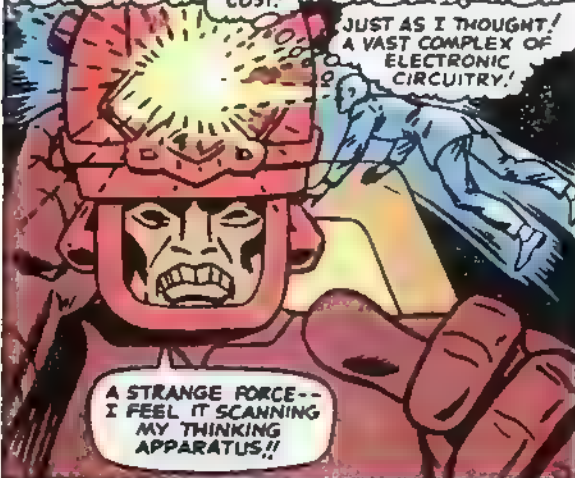
I DON'T KNOW! EVERY-
THING SEEMS TO BE
WORKING PROPERLY!



REMEMBER! IF I DO
NOT GAIN THE
INFORMATION I SEEK,
A CITY SHALL PERISH!

**BUT THEN, THE BRILLIANT LEADER OF THE X-MEN
TAKES A DESPERATE CHANCE--!**

**I'VE GOT TO PROBE THE MECHANICAL BRAIN OF THE
MASTER MOLD HIMSELF--NO MATTER WHAT THE
COST!**



**JUST AS I THOUGHT!
A VAST COMPLEX OF
ELECTRONIC
CIRCUITRY!**

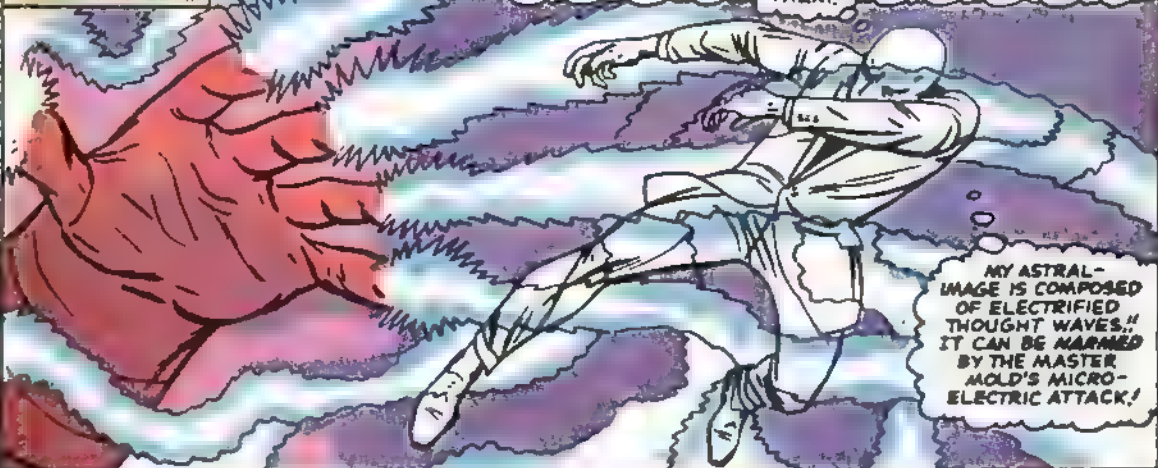
**A STRANGE FORCE--
I FEEL IT SCANNING
MY THINKING
APPARATUS!!**

**THERE IS SOMETHING
HERE!! A MENACING
PRESENCE! I SENSE
IT! I FEEL IT! BUT
I CANNOT SEE IT!**



**YET, I AM
EQUIPPED WITH
WEAPONS FOR
ANY TYPE OF
ATTACK!**

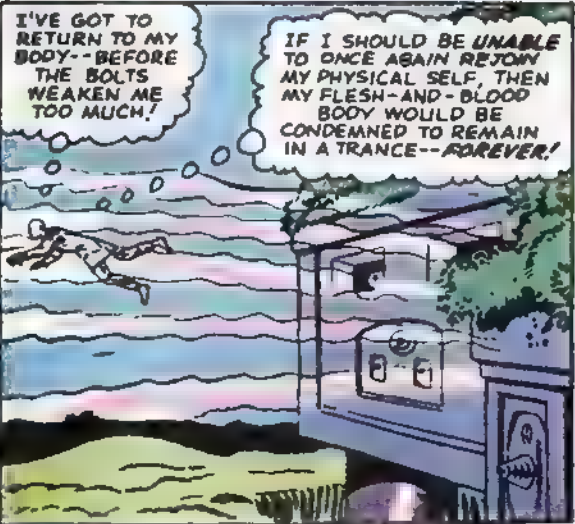
**AND THEN, WITH
DAZZLING, TOTALLY
UNHUMAN SPEED...**



**MICRO-ELECTRIC BLASTS--LEAPING FROM HIS FINGERS!
THEY'RE FILLING THE ENTIRE CHAMBER! I CANNOT DODGE
THEM!**

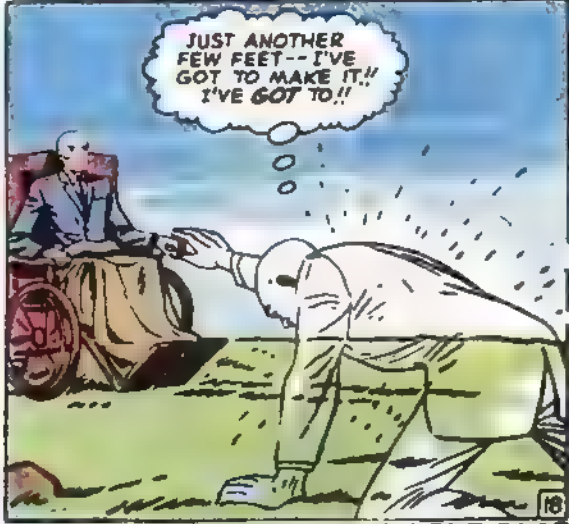
**MY ASTRAL-
IMAGE IS COMPOSED
OF ELECTRIFIED
THOUGHT WAVES!!
IT CAN BE HARMED
BY THE MASTER
MOLD'S MICRO-
ELECTRIC ATTACK!**

**I'VE GOT TO
RETURN TO MY
BODY--BEFORE
THE BOLTS
WEAKEN ME
TOO MUCH!**



**IF I SHOULD BE UNABLE
TO ONCE AGAIN REJOIN
MY PHYSICAL SELF, THEN
MY FLESH-AND-BLOOD
BODY WOULD BE
CONDEMNED TO REMAIN
IN A TRANCE--FOREVER!**

**JUST ANOTHER
FEW FEET--I'VE
GOT TO MAKE IT!!
I'VE GOT TO!!**



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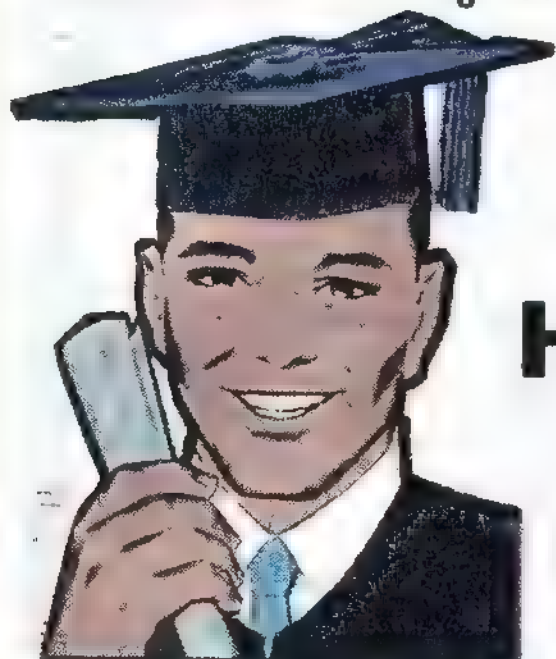
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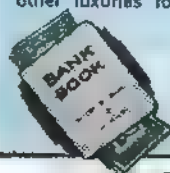
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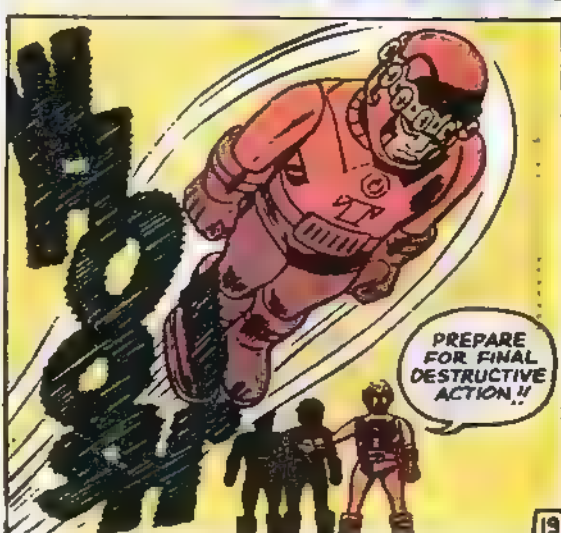
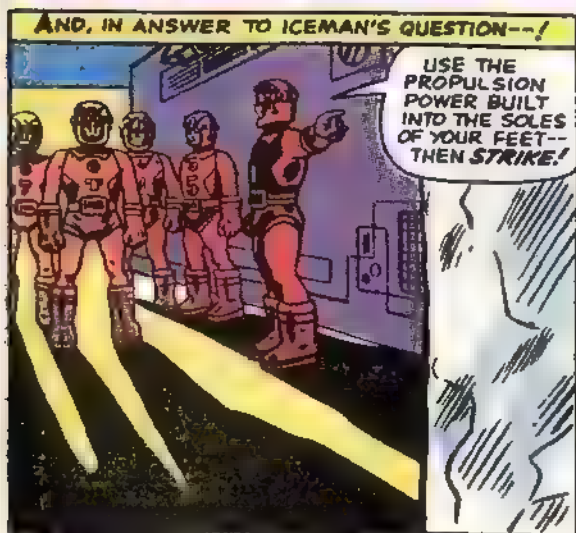
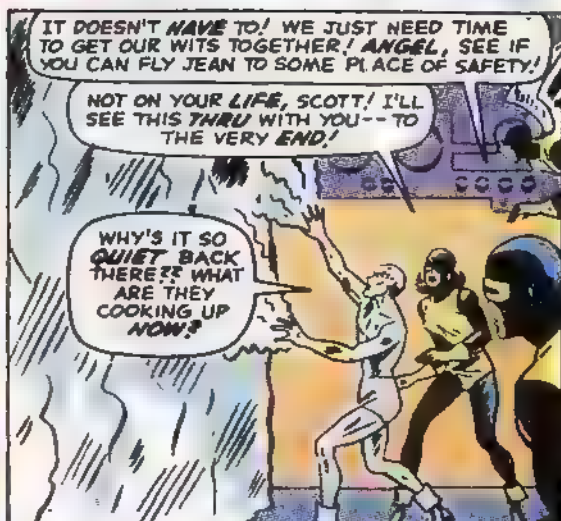
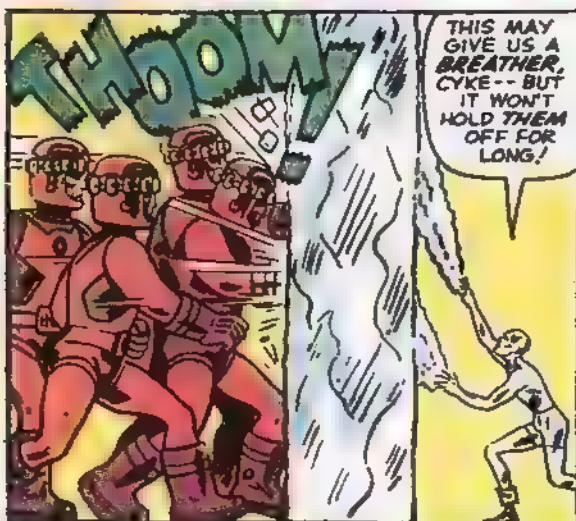
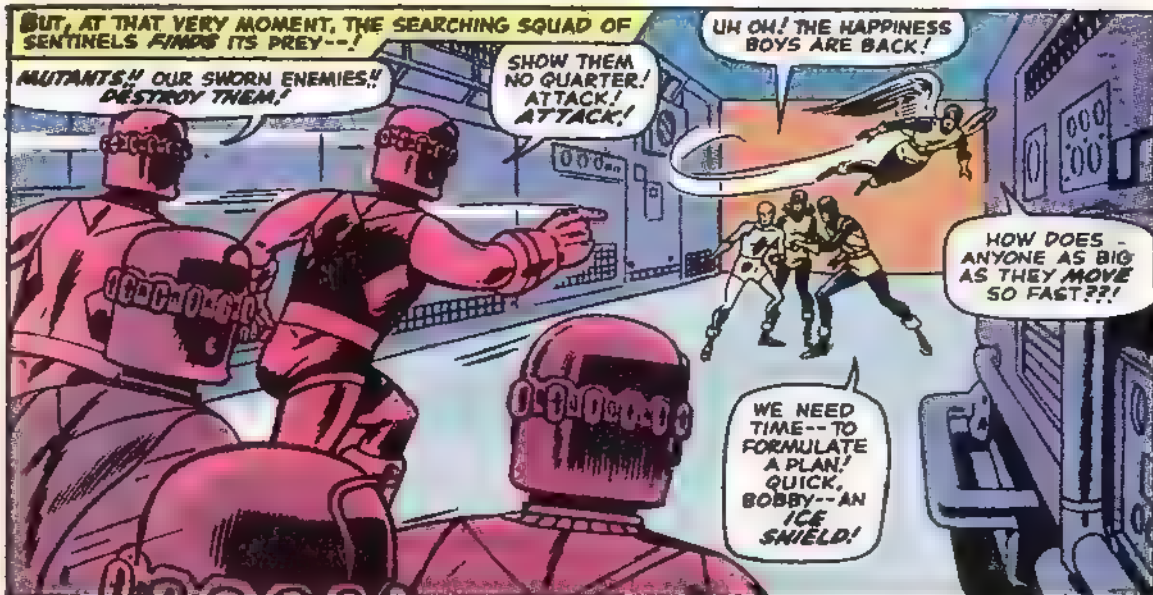
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LOOK OUT!!
HE CRASHED
THRU!!



ZINGO!
YOU GOT
'IM, CYKE!
TERRIFIC!

BUT
THERE
A
OTHERS,
FOLLOWING!

IT'S BEEN
NICE KNOWING
YOU, GUYS!

THEN, BEFORE THE YOUTHS CAN MAKE ANOTHER
MOVE, THE ADVANCING SECTION LEADER ACTIVATES
A BUTTON ON HIS CHEST PLATE, AND...



THERE
SHALL
BE NO
MUTANTS
!!!



WHOOO--!! I
FEEL LIKE THE
FLOOR IS
PULLING ME
DOWN--!

CAN'T MOVE!
THEY--USED
A HEAVY
GRAVITY
RAY--!

THEN--WE'RE
FINISHED--!!!

AND, AS THE NOW-HELPLESS X-MEN SINK SLOWLY
TO THE FLOOR--!



IF WE CAN DEFEAT THE X-MEN SO
EASILY, THE REST OF MANKIND--
WITHOUT MUTANT POWERS-- WILL
BE ABLE TO OFFER ALMOST NO
RESISTANCE!

THEREFORE, I NOW
COMMAND YOU TO CREATE AN
ARMY OF NEW SENTINELS FOR
ME!

AN ARMY OF
THOUSANDS!!

NO! I WON'T!
IT WILL
MEAN THE
END OF
MANKIND
HERE ON
EARTH!!

I HAD WANTED TO HELP HUMANITY-- TO FIGHT
THE MUTANTS!! WHAT A FOOL I WAS!! WHAT A
BLIND-- DANGEROUS FOOL!



SEIZE HIM!!
HE SHALL NOT
REFUSE US--
FOR LONG!!

NEXT ISSUE! YOU'LL ACTUALLY WITNESS THE
CREATION OF A SENTINEL-- AS WELL AS ONE
OF THE MOST THRILLING STORY ENDINGS YOU'VE
EVER GASPED AT! YOU'LL SEE THE X-MEN,
MENACED BY TRASK'S UNHUMAN CREATIONS ON
THE ONE HAND, AND THEIR OWN INHERENT
WEAKNESSES ON THE OTHER! EVEN IF YOU'RE
NOT A MUTANT, YOU MUSTN'T MISS X-MEN #69!
HUFF SAID!



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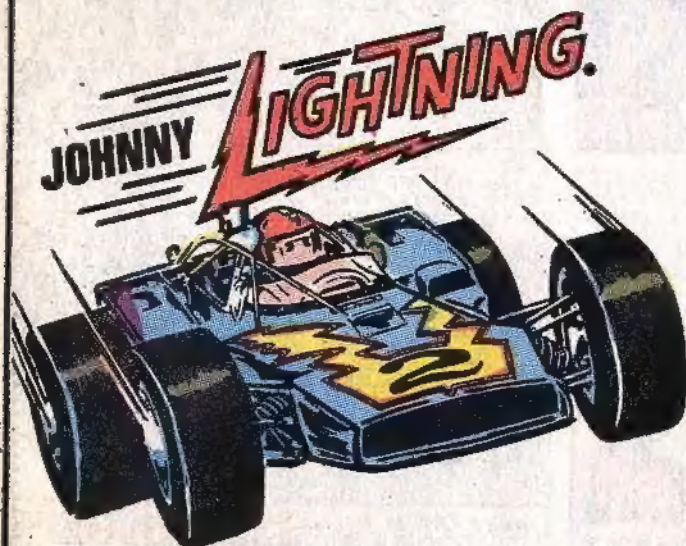
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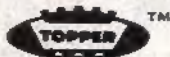
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1

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2

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need any tricks or gimmicks. No
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3

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skill that matters. You make them
go...control the speed...test your
nerves. And the new 500's are sol-
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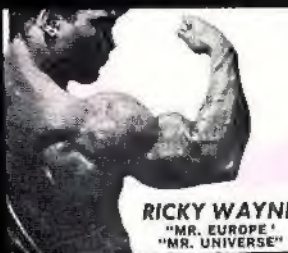
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"MR. UNIVERSE"

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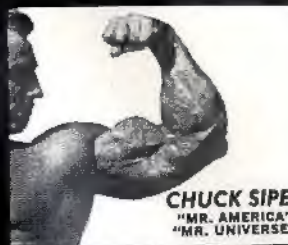
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Winner—Freddy stands 5' 5", weighs 185 lbs. of rock-hard muscle. His arms measure 19" and he is considered the best-built short man in the world. Yet, he was a 115-lb. skinny weakling before sending in the coupon! Why Not You?



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"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Ricky is 5' 8", weighs 198 lbs. of Herculean muscle. His arms measure a full 19 1/2", and he is considered the best-built man in Europe today. He weighed a pitiful 122 lbs. before sending the coupon! And It Can Happen To You!



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Winner—Chuck stands 6', weighs 225 lbs., and has a pair of 20" arms—among the strongest in the world! He was a 141-lb. weakling before sending in the free coupon! Now How About You?

Weider-Pupil
DAVE DRAPER
"MR. AMERICA"
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Winner, and movie-TV star—Dave stands 6' 2", weighs 235 lbs. and owns the largest arms in the world—21" upper-arm, 17" lower-arm! Yet, he was fat and flabby before mailing the coupon! But Why Wait? Rush!



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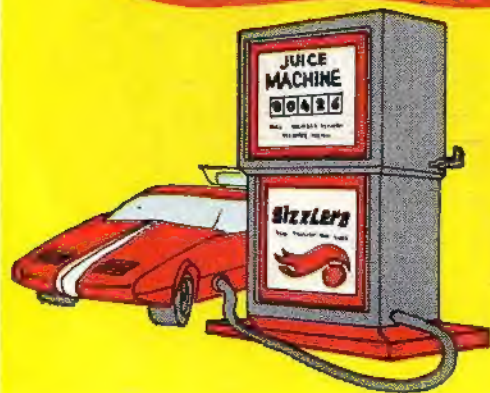
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